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That Graduation Smile



AT SPRINGFIELD SYMPHONY HALL, wearing a graduation smile is Jillian Ofcarcik (left) with her friend, Kim Duga, following the Agawam High School Commencement Exercises on Sunday, June 7th. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

Graduation Issue

We are pleased to bring to our readers our Annual Graduation Supplement. Please keep in mind we still have graduation-related releases that are coming in from colleges and universities. We will run them over the next few weeks. If you wish to have your graduate in *The AAN*, our deadline is each Tuesday at 12:00 noon.

Residents Help Keep Agawam Clean



THE RECENT AGAWAM CLEAN-UP DAY which began at St. David's Church in Feeding Hills saw town residents, including from left - Laurel-Ross Gormley with her children Lisa and Talynn, Nancy Bobskill and daughter, Carisa, Damian Gormley (energy consultant), and Tom Leahy of Feeding Hills participate in the annual event. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

Walsh Says House Supports Benefits For Frail Elderly

Claiming the administration is unsympathetic to many elders and their families, State Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam) said he was pleased the House of Representatives recently rejected two Weld initiatives to reduce benefits for frail senior citizens.

The cuts were proposed by the Weld team in separate pieces of legislation that came before the House for debate. "I was happy to join forces with my Democratic colleagues to beat back these reductions in benefits provided to our most vulnerable elders," said Walsh.

The first proposed cut would have eliminated the so-called "bed-hold" regulation for nursing home facilities. The current provision stipulates that a nursing home facility must reserve the bed of a resident who has been temporarily hospitalized. The second Republican measure to be defeated would have placed an income cap of just over \$15,000 for seniors eligible for medicaid nursing home benefits.

"Both of these propositions lack understanding of the traumatic time elders and their families endure when confronted with placing a loved one in a nursing home. We, as a society, cannot afford to shun those in their twilight years. In fact, we must do the exact opposite and ensure quality nursing home care be available to those in need," commented Walsh.

Rep. Walsh said the administration's bid to pass these measures failed because they strike at the very heart of the medicaid system. "They just do not make sense. The administration wants to limit elders yearly income to \$15,000 to qualify for medicaid benefits yet the average cost of nursing home care is more than double that figure," he said.

"Should you qualify however, under this absurd approach and then be temporarily hospitalized, Weld wants the family to begin the process all over again. The measures were totally void of any merit and thus I was proud to do my part to defeat them," concluded Walsh.

Agawam Crime Prevention...

Letter From A Suicide Victim Shows Anguish Of A Life That Went Sour

The following are excerpts from a letter to Sgt. Thomas Quillmet of the Massachusetts State Police written by a young man just before he committed suicide.

"This is the hardest letter I have ever written, IT'S ALL OVER FOR ME CAUSE I've been a fool and a user of people. I've let people down time and time again. I can't live with myself anymore. I had every opportunity to lead the right kind of life according to the law. I have been warned over and over again to stop fooling around and I didn't listen. I thought I was being right and a real wise guy, that I would never get caught, well I'm not feeling to smart right now. I want to die. It can't be worse then the awful way I feel now. If it was just me it would be o.k. but I can't stand to ruin everyone else's life to.

"I'm not to sure of how to put this but please let me get this off my back. I wish I could do it all over again ... I mean I hate myself. I can't believe I did this to myself and I had everything when I was a kid, everything. I don't honestly know how it happened. I want to explain why and how but I'm not sure. My first beer? My first cigarette? I don't know. I was drunk and still am. Since I smoked my first reefer I loved it. My first blow of toot, I loved it....

"I've always been a pig, priding myself on how much greenies I could drink, thousands and thousands of beers. Hundreds of thousands of cigarettes the worst thing ever except for the white lady of death. I love that more then anything cause it makes your problems go away, you are a big shot, know it all, the more you snort the wiser you become until you finally lie, cheat rob. I've never been a thief or even that good a liar, but I have been for coke ... Man it it's there I gotta have some then some more, more and more. It just goes forever ... It's sick, I'm sick. No one ever forced it upon me like I say the problem started a long time ago by thinking I was a wise guy ... I don't have anyone to blame but for this mess I've made of my life.

"I hope you will let some kids read this letter

Tom. I was a good kid once upon a time long ago ... you got to get them while they are young. My mom and dad were so right, one bad habit leads to another. God I wish I could have listened. I guess I just got away with to much. I don't have to do this, or maybe find an easier way to go around the situation. I'm just not sure how I ended up, Yes I'm sure I was always lazy and sloppy and always looking for an easier way to do things, lying cheating, being a wise guy young age eventually brought me to the point I am now, I'm sure of it. The thrill of not having to work as hard in school or playing sports instead of making me want to better myself ... somehow I chose to be lazy, an under acheiver instead of applying myself. I never tried. I wish, Oh how I wish I had wanted to be someone other then a wise guy. I'm so sorry.

"Tom ... I certainly don't deserve any favors but I tell you ... I'm just so afraid for the people I've been friends with around here. People who did not do anything except trust me. It's all my fault Tom, These people did not do anything, it was just me, I deserve to die for the things I've done, getting people to do things they didn't want to do, nice people, good people, whose only crime was to think I was a good guy. They were duped by a professional liar, ME.

"I used to think selling reefer was cool, it aint. It stinks. Selling coke is worse by forever. That's when I started hating myself for getting involved that that crap...

"I'm so sick ... I never wanted to be a criminal but I am and a bad one to top it off. I've been so dumb, so weak, so crazy. I wish I could have stopped, I really do, It just happened to fast for me, I don't care anymore. I just don't have the heart anymore. It hurts, everything hurts, it hurts all the time.

"I have to do this I'm sorry.

Give this to whoever, I don't know."

It was this boy's last wish that the letter be read and understood by the kids. It is my hope that the message somehow reaches the parents.

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Letters To The Editor

Concerned Dog Owner Says Licensing Is Biased

To The Editor:

I find the situation about dog liscensing biased. Cats can be more of a problem in my opinion. Being a fairly new homeowner, my husband and I have cut trees, re-seeded, put in shrubs, plants and new flowers as well, in our yard.

We have spent a vast amount of time, not to mention an outrageous amount of money, to keep our yard as well-maintained as our neighbors. This yard work is beneficial not only for us, but for our neighbors as well.

I am becoming real concerned with the fact that cats can come and go as they please. On more than one occasion, I have come home and noticed a cat or cats still in our yard. Only to find they had done their "business" in, on, and around our landscaping. I do think it is very biased to license, register, fence in, leash up, and keep up with annual shots for our dog, according to town ordinances.

We try to be conscientious dog owners. We keep our dog groomed, liscensed and fully fenced in.

I have also noticed occasionally, cats being left out all day to roam unsupervised where and when they wish. I have never disliked cats, but I am finding my views greatly changing.

I have taken my concerns to the Animal Control Officer, only to find his hands are tied. There are no laws for cats. This disturbs me greatly.

It is with the understanding that there are more conscientious cat owners than not. I thank them for saving friends and neighbors money otherwise spent on fences, landscaping and car washes.

Concerned dog owner,
Beth Ceccarini
Feeding Hills

A Big Thank You From Supt. Bruno & Talbot Family

To The Editor:

To all of the townspeople, teachers, administrators, students and parents who sent flowers, cards or words of comfort, we extend our sincere thanks. Just knowing that people care is helpful in times of sorrow.

My sister, Rosalie Talbot, was an incredible lady who raised three very incredible daughters. She battled cancer for 20 years with dignity and courage, always maintaining her wonderful sense of humor.

On her tombstone will be engraved, "A Woman of Substance." She was certainly that and more. Rosalie B. Talbot was an inspiration to all of us.

Again, thank you for your concern, love and support.

James V. Bruno
Superintendent of Schools
And the entire family of
Rosalie B. Talbot

Moreno Challenges Mayor & Agawam Town Council

To The Editor:

There is no reason why the taxpayers have to be treated shabbily and be refused their legal rights to file for tax abatements.

The Mayor said they—the Assessor's Office—are his employees, and he "tells them how to conduct their office."

The Mayor and the assessor admitted to 400 to 500 abatement requests by the taxpayers. They admitted they were kept in their files until the 90-day requirement expired without being processed; in other words, they became automatically refused due process.

The abatements were not given consideration. The Mayor knew this. He admitted this when he said the assessors were "his employees. I tell them what to do."

The Mayor refused to follow the law and the charter Sec. 2-11 which gives the Council the authority to investigate. I quote:

"The City Council may make investigations into the affairs of the city and into the conduct of any agency and for this purpose may subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, and require the production of evidence."

Yet the Mayor refused the Council their legal right to investigate the Assessor's Office mess.

I listened to (Citizens') Speak Time of the Council meeting on TV, and I heard a taxpayer state that he has been overcharged for years yet couldn't get an abatement request reviewed.

Finally, when the assessor was absent, the temporary assessor reviewed the case. Right from the computer printout, it stated that this home owner had four bedrooms, yet the assessor found only two bedrooms.

The computer also showed he was assessed for two bathrooms, yet he has only one. The square foot area of his home was listed as 24' x 36', yet the assessor found that it was only 24' x 32' in area.

Just think how many years he has been overcharged. Proof that the abatement request should have been reviewed a long time ago is the fact that the assessor had to reduce the tax bill by \$146.48.

Just think how many of the 400 to 450 abatement requests might have had the same results. Remember, this abatement satisfied only one year. How many years has he been cheated?

Why is the Mayor not giving taxpayers their right to seek honest abatements? Why have some of the Mayor's "yes men and women" on the Council VOTED NO on the motion to investigate this mess?

I want the Councilors to know that the investigation **WILL TAKE PLACE**. It will take place because the taxpayers will demand it, either by Council action or a referendum petition by the people. This I guarantee!

What the Mayor must learn is that the State Commissioner of Revenue has "most all the authority," I quote exactly, "has substantial authority and powers with respect to the assessors' matters and the assessors must follow the Commissioner's commands."

The Commissioner has the authority to direct the assessors on how the department runs. Not the Mayor or anyone else. The law specifies that the assessors control their own three-person department.

When you investigate, you will find that Agawam's original charter set (in 1861) a three-man Board of Assessor's Office, and, there is **NO RECORD** of any ordinance, order, or resolution, or vote of the town meeting on any permissive legislation being adopted for any change in the

three-man system. Especially, in other words, to make it a one-man Assessor's Office.

A reminder; the Mayor is not the Council's boss—the Council is the Mayor's boss. The assessors are subject to the legislative (Council) to create or abolish the office, fix its tenure and compensation, designate its duties and power, and provide for election, appointment, and removal.

Valentine R. Moreno
15 Florida Drive
Agawam

Why Mary Is Venerated By Catholics & Others

To The Editor:

This is in reply to the article by Tom Crouse of the Faith Bible Church titled **Why Worship Mary???**

Mary is not worshipped by anyone I know, but she is rightfully venerated by Roman Catholics and others. God chose Mary as Mother to His only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Mary has a very special place in Heaven, as Mother of our King. I pray to Mary to intercede with her Son, not as a goddess, but as I would ask any other person to pray for me.

The Blessed Virgin Mary is the new Eve, the mother to all in the second creation. Mary was NOT a sinner, and never committed a sin, or she could never have been the mother of Jesus Christ. In Genesis chapter 3, verse 15, "I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; He will strike at your head, while you strike at his heel."

Here is God's promise of a second chance for failed mankind. If there is "enmity" between two beings, that's about as far about as you can get! If Mary ever committed a sin, then she would have been under Satan's power, and what God is saying in this verse is not true, which can NOT be.

ALL of the promises Jesus Christ has made to us have been fulfilled in the Blessed Virgin Mary. She is in heaven, **assumed body and soul**, not through any power she possessed, but through the power of God.

The Blessed Virgin Mary can lead you only to her Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

Jeffrey J. Duquette
Feeding Hills

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Letters To The Editor - continued...

4th Of July Committee Needs Further Funding For Picnic

To The Editor

Hello, Agawam!

I'm told that the good guys wear "WHITE HATS," and we're looking for a few!

We're making one last effort to raise the funds needed for the Fourth of July fireworks, and you can help! Be one of our LARGEST contributors, and we'll give you a WHITE HAT to wear at the annual town picnic.

You will be driven onto the picnic grounds along with Mayor Johnson and Senator Melconian, in an antique car. You will also be our guest for lunch, and our fireworks display will be dedicated in YOUR honor!

Our goal is \$2,000. Please be a part of a community supported effort! Our deadline is June 23rd.

Agawam's 4th of July Committee
Jane Dennis 789-3402
Sharen Theroux 533-0566

Agawam EMTs and Police Receive Thanks For Help

To The Editor:

I would like to express my heartfelt appreciation to the Agawam Ambulance Medics and the Agawam Police for their prompt response to a 911 call when my cardiac condition warranted immediate medical attention.

I am deeply grateful to the two medics, as well as the police officer accompanying them and the person handling the call. The professional and

caring attitude of the medics at my home, during the trip to the hospital and in the hospital emergency room, deserves nothing but the highest of praise.

While in ICU and now since my return home, I've constantly reflected how fortunate we are, as residents of Agawam, to have such dedicated and well-trained personnel to serve us so well.

My husband, Charles, joins me with sincere appreciation.

Always with deepest gratitude,
Arlene A. Brown

Junior Girl Scout Troop 548 Fulfills Its Commitment

To The Editor:

On Saturday, June 13th, 1992, Junior Girl Scout Troop No. 548 fulfilled their commitment as a ready troop by taking part in the Glory Days at Storowton Village. The time and effort given to this event by the dedicated young ladies who participated in the program are sincerely appreciated.

Five of the girls who volunteered for the committee to arrange the program spent many hours researching the history of the Massachusetts state flag, planning, designing posters, creating trivia games, writing scripts, and doing a video. Other members of the troop took hours from their busy schedules of recitals, company picnics, etc., to help man the booth and give the needed relief to tired exhibitors.

It's no wonder we had such a great display. Efforts by Mrs. Linda Montagna, Mrs. Lee Rullmann, and Mrs. Ruth Brames were invaluable.

I am very proud of each girl: Brenna McGinn, Michelle Bitgood, Martha Manning, Mary Manning, Jessica Montagna, Courtney Hamel, Courtney Rullmann, Rebecca Brames, Melissa Boissonneault, Debby Boissonneault, and Holly Moren.

Troop No. 548—you're great!

Helen Manning

Agawam Police Blotter For Last Week

On June 7th, Douglas Colson, 681 North Stone Street, West Suffield, CT, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Mike Gruska, Richard Conlon, and Sergeant Donald Lonco.

On June 10th, Everett Cuffee, 18 James Avenue, Agawam, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Springfield Police Department bench warrant. Arresting officer was Detective Anthony Malone.

On June 10th, Nikki Capel, 81 North Blvd., West Springfield, was arrested and charged with operating without a license and speeding. Arresting officers were Robert Marsh and Karen Langevin.

On June 10th, David Stuart, 84 Morris Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with assault & battery. Arresting officers were Gary O'Brien, Steve Grasso, and Detective Peter Bertera.

On June 12th, Jonathon Miller, 63 Kanawha Avenue, Agawam, was arrested and charged with violation of a restraining order. Arresting officers were Keith Bopko and Mark Ceccarini.

On June 12th, Angel L. Ramos, 15 Orchard Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with being a disorderly person. Arresting officers were Auxiliary Officer Pat McCarthy and Auxiliary Officer Joe Halpy.

On June 12th, William Rodriguez, 1589 Dwight Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with being a disorderly person. Arresting officers were Auxiliary Officer Pat McCarthy and Auxiliary Officer Joe Halpy.

On June 13th, Thomas Amenta, 18 North Lane, Wallingford, CT, was arrested and charged with trespassing. Arresting officers were Jim Donovan and Mark Poggi.

On June 13th, Lisa Fratini, 54 Parkview Drive, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with two outstanding warrants. Arresting officer was Edward Connor.

On June 13th, Gary Melbourne, 75 Brookline Avenue, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with violation of a restraining order. Arresting officers were Joe Edwards and Mike Gruska.

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Agawam Obituaries

Ada L. Judkins

Ada L. (Ricker) Judkins, 77, of 886 Main Street, a retired 20-year nurse's aide for Eastern Maine General Hospital, died recently in Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

Born in Pattern, Maine, she lived in Hermon and Bangor, Maine, before moving to Agawam in 1977.

She was a 1933 graduate of Hermon High School, and a member of Bethany Assembly of God in Agawam. Her husband, Lewis F. Judkins, died in 1986.

She leaves two sons, Lewis S. Judkins of Springfield and Edgar A. Judkins of Agawam; a daughter, Sylvia M. Gerry of Feeding Hills; a sister, Frances Clifford of Caribou, Maine, seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The funeral was at Agawam Funeral Home, with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery.

Lindsay N. Gawron

Lindsay N. Gawron, 3, of 104 Garden Street, died recently in Springfield's Baystate Medical Center after a long illness. She was featured on this year's Children's Miracle Network Telethon in May.

She leaves her parents, Richard Gawron Jr. and Lisa Fontana of the Feeding Hills section of Agawam; her paternal grandparents, Richard and Maryann (Nadeau) Gawron of Chicopee; her maternal grandmother, Gertrude (Rivard) Fontana of West Springfield; her paternal great-grandparents, Anna Nadeau of Springfield; a sister, Stacy Fontana at home; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

The funeral was at the Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home and in St. Thomas Church. Burial will be at the convenience of the family.

Memorial contributions may be made to Make A Wish Foundation of Western Massachusetts, 1 Armory Street, Springfield, MA 01105.

Janelle M. Christian

Janelle M. Christian, 14, of 265 New Ludlow Road, Chicopee died recently in Springfield of injuries she suffered in a car accident on Route 33 in South Hadley.

Born in Springfield, she lived there and in Agawam and South Hadley before moving to Chicopee recently.

She was a seventh-grade student at South Hadley Middle School, and a former student at Agawam Middle School and Robinson Park Elementary School in Agawam.

She leaves her parents, David A. Christian of Agawam and Janet (Fitzgerald) Fritz of Chicopee; her grandmother, Dorothy Fitzgerald of Springfield and Alderic and Julia Christian of Agawam; her great-grandmother, Blanche Zarlengo of Springfield, and her step-grandparents, John and Ruth Fritz of South Hadley.

The funeral was at Colonial Funeral Home in Agawam, and the church, with burial at Hillcrest Park Cemetery in Springfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Janelle M. Christian Fund, in care of Robert Pro- ulx of Fleet Bank, 701 Main Street, Agawam, 01001.



GROUND BREAKING CEREMONIES for the gazebo on the Veteran's Memorial Green. Back from left - Tony Polacco; Richard S. Brindle, Town Council vice-president; Edward S. Kellogg and Jerry Couture, Veteran's Council. Front row - Jay O'Sullivan, American Legion Post 185; Joanne Willis, Town Council president; Peg Brown, American Legion Auxiliary; Louis Russo, Town Council; Mark McCormick, Veteran's Council chairman; Ruth Bitzas, veteran's agent; Victor Moreno, commander, Agawam VFW; and Bill Daubman, Feeding Hills resident and member of Greater Springfield Home Builders.

Groundbreaking Ceremonies Held At Veteran's Green For New Gazebo

A groundbreaking ceremony was held recently on the Agawam Veteran's Memorial Green. The Agawam Veteran's Council has announced that if all goes as planned, Agawam residents will enjoy summer band concerts from the new gazebo.

About six weeks ago, Bill Daubman of Feeding Hills, saw the gazebo news article in *The Union News*. Bill is a member of the Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield, and a member of their newly organized "Outreach Committee," who will assist on several select projects through the year. He contacted the Agawam Veteran's Service Office offering to bring the project to the attention of his committee. He was provided with details regarding the project and stated that he would be in touch with the Veteran's Council.

Fundraising for the project began in January when plans were presented at a meeting with the Rotary Club, resulting in their donation of \$1,000, followed by receipt of \$500 presented by Vic Moreno, Commander of V.F.W. Post 1632, and George Brown, Commander, American Legion Post 185.

Other donations received to date are from: Unico, The Osborne Clinic, Carolyn Mosher, James Clark P.T.O., Lou and Celeine Draghetli, J. Paul Morin, Middle School P.T.O., Community Grange, Agawam Lioness, Virginia Catchpaugh, Jane Dennis, James Turner, and Mrs. U. Shirley Sawyer.

The care and concern of Agawam residents is appreciated. The Veteran's Green projects have brought about a real sense of community in Agawam.

Once again, Mr. Harold Davis, came through for our veterans. He did the woodworking portion of our War Memorial in 1989 and has just completed

the framing of the Gazebo, donating again, his talent and expertise. The Veteran's Council is putting together a resolution to be presented to the City Council honoring Harold for his dedication and service honoring Agawam veterans. The presentation will take place at the dedication ceremony being planned.

Bill Daubman, along with Richard Kramer, Director of Government and Community Affairs for The Home Builders Association, met with the Veteran's Council and Home Builders members, Charles Calabrese, William Carrier, and Louis Russo, whose father-in-law, Anthony J. Polacco, has volunteered to assist with the handicapped ramp required for the Gazebo. The Outreach Committee will provide the labor and some materials needed for the foundation, construction and roofing of Gazebo.

Anticipated expenditure needs will include cement at the discounted cost, lighting, landscaping, bronze plaque and base naming all donors of \$100 or more, which will be placed near the Gazebo, new sign designating the "Agawam Veteran's Memorial Green," estimated cost \$4,000.

The present balance is \$1,211 and the Council is hopeful of meeting these needs through donations. Please send your donation to: Gazebo Building Fund, c/o Ruth Bitzas, Veteran's Services, Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA 01001.

Once again, the community of Agawam has pulled together to complete a project on the Veteran's Green. Plans for the dedication will be announced soon through the *Agawam Advertiser News* and the Cablevision Community Bulletin Board.

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Fire-Wise...

by Fire Chief Rusty Jenks

Juvenile Firesetters

Estimates show that well over half the incendiary fires in larger municipalities are caused by children under the age of 18. In fact, many are younger. Boys are more likely than girls to be the culprits.

Unfortunately, simple curiosity (often combined with poor supervision) accounts for a large portion of the fires set by children, and the children who set fires are from a diverse group, with varied social backgrounds and varying motives.

Some children who set fires are from "unstable homes," and many come from poor families. However, the statistics do not define a specific racial or ethnic group to be involved, nor is it found that many of the children have serious problems.

When identified juvenile firesitters warrant prevention efforts, the Agawam Fire Department provides these suggestions:

- reduce the likelihood that any child will engage in unsupervised or otherwise potentially dangerous firesetting by removing matches and lighters from reach.

- reduce the likelihood that children who have engaged in occasional unsupervised and/or otherwise dangerous firesetting do not repeat this behavior by better supervision and/or corrective measures.

- identify and work intensively with those children who have an established history of firesetting.

Should you know of, or suspect, a juvenile firesetter, contact the Agawam Fire Department at 786-2662 for help.

Caplin Refutes Information Given On State's Auto Insurance Controversy

Bill Caplin, Republican candidate for the State Senate in the First Hampden District, refutes information presented by an Administrative Aide to State Senator Linda Melconian on success of auto insurance reform. Caplin says that "the 1988 reform package, which Melconian aide Jeff Hagerty says has saved the taxpayers over \$400 million, also cost the taxpayer money."

"Mr. Haggerty neglected to say that the former 100% glass coverage was totally eliminated, and our deductible was mandatorily increased to \$500. Anyone wanting the lower deductibles must now pay higher premiums for them." The true savings, if any, must take into consideration the additional out-of-pocket expenses we all incur due to the "cost shifting of the 1988 reforms."

On March 10th, the Boston Globe quoted Jeff Hagerty as saying, "Let's face it, we're not in a crisis with auto insurance. We get more letters from lawyers than we do from consumers on this issue. So there's not going to be any revolution this year on auto insurance."

Caplin is also concerned that there will be no activity around auto insurance reform again this year. "We are desperately close to the budget deadline and the incumbents want to go home

and campaign. How can they ever complete the budget AND reform our auto insurance system?" Caplin says that the complexity of the system, the lack of any true activity up to this point, and the time frame in which the Legislature has to work precludes much meaningful activity at this time.

Caplin challenges the Legislature to act in a significant way, and not with token legislation. "If we can get the 200,000 unregistered and uninsured vehicles off of the roads, have cities and town bordering New Hampshire and Vermont require residents to register and insure their vehicles in Massachusetts, and make the habitually bad driver pay more of their fair share, we can truly cut auto insurance costs. Auto theft must be reduced in Massachusetts, as it's also a cost factor in our insurance premiums."

Caplin has knocked on over 1,800 doors in this district and has spoken to many constituents. He says that "people are angry about the runaway auto insurance costs. More people have complained to me about the high cost of auto insurance than just about any other project."

Caplin cites years of press releases on auto insurance reform, but other than a token bill passed in 1988, we have seen no real reform in years.

Walsh Says All Proceeds From Gas Tax To Only Be Used For Roads & Bridges

State Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam) today said that due to the current status of the Commonwealth's infrastructure, he was pleased the Legislature approved a ban on the use of gas tax proceeds for any purposes other than for the repair and replacement of roads and bridges.

Under current law, the state is allowed to divert gas revenue to other areas of the state budget. "With dilapidated streets and many bridges closed for repairs, the time for action has obviously arrived. Joining with my colleagues, I was pleased to vote to restrict gas tax dollars to roadway projects," said Walsh.

Pointing out the action will have no additional tax burden on the citizens of the Commonwealth, Walsh estimated the move would shift more than

\$200 million for road related programs. "By restructuring this revenue stream, we will not only be able to rebuild our run down roads and bridges but create additional work for our labor force and help jump start our economy," commented Walsh.

This measure, included in the recently approved budget recommendation of the House of Representatives, received unanimous support during the consideration of the appropriations bill. It now goes before the Senate for debate.

"Realizing that most people have been inconvenienced by pot holes or crumbling sidewalks, it is my hope that these badly needed upgrades be completed as soon as possible," concluded Walsh.

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AGAWAM UNICO made a generous donation to the Michael Pietroniro Trust Fund. From left - Susan Shaw, Dick DiLullo (UNICO treasurer), Janet Shean, Dennis Marchetto (incoming chairman), Louis Russo (UNICO president), Michael Pietroniro, Donna Kerley, and Fred Montesi (chairman of UNICO Mental-Physical Health Committee). Missing: Renzo Frigo, UNICO committee member. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.

Town's Memorial Day To Be Aired On Continental Cable

On Monday, June 22nd at 9:30 p.m. and again on Monday, June 29th at 7:30 p.m., Continental Cablevision will broadcast a videotape presentation of Agawam's Memorial Day Parade.

The program features Honorary Parade Marshall Thomas Gilbert, Agawam VFW Commander Vic Moreno, and American Legion Commander George Brown.

Brief comments were made by several dignitaries including State Senator Linda Melconian, State Representative Michael Walsh, Mayor Christopher Johnson, and Assistant Director of the the State Veterans Office Bernie McCluskey.

The parade was organized by Agawam Veterans Council Members Mark McCormick, Ed Kellogg, Tom Acquaro, Jerry Couture, Ruth Bitzas, and Louis Russo.

The video was produced by Agawam Public Access volunteers Bob Newman and John Balboni. It will be shown to area communities on cable channel 32.

Laughing Brook Has Kids' Adventures

Massachusetts Audubon's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden is offering children in grades five through eight an opportunity to join our wildlife care staff for three half-day adventures in the field researching wildlife.

Sessions are scheduled for Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon, with a different focus each week.

June 27th: Reptiles and Amphibians; **July 11th:** Mammals; **July 25th:** Birds of Prey.

Activities include a stream search for turtles; learning to identify mammal skulls; and dissecting an owl pellet. Junior biologists will also observe Laughing Brook's wildlife residents as part of each session.

Pre-registration is required at least three days in advance of the first session. Fees for the series are \$20 for Massachusetts Audubon members and \$25 for non-members. For individual sessions, the fees are \$8 for Massachusetts Audubon members and \$10 for non-members.

For further information or a copy of Laughing Brook's current newsletter, call 413-566-8034.

Pietroniro Trust Fund Receives Donation From Ag. UNICO

The Michael Pietroniro Trust Fund received a truly generous kickoff donation from the wonderful people of the Agawam Unico.

Without hesitation, they stepped forward and volunteered their support. The members of Michael's family and the fundraising committee would like to extend their most sincere thanks for this donation.

As we're sure you all know by now, a townwide fundraiser is being held to help defray the costs of brain surgery that little Michael Pietroniro desperately needs. Michael suffers from a devastating seizure disorder and needs a "Vagal Nerve Simulator" implant operation. This surgery may finally give Michael the chance for a happy and healthy life.

The surgery will be performed at St. Christopher's Children's Hospital in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in approximately six to eight weeks. Michael will be the youngest pediatric patient to undergo this procedure.

Like the people from Agawam Unico, you too can help Michael. We are selling Hebert's candy bars for \$1 in many local businesses. We also have a canister drive in progress; you can find a canister in just about every store in town!

A Benefit Dinner/Dance will be held on August 27th, 1992, at Chez Josef. Tickets are \$25 per person and are on sale now. If you would like more ticket information or would like to help in any other way, please call 786-2709 or 789-1529.

Donations may also be sent to the Michael Pietroniro Trust Fund, SIS, Springfield Street, Agawam, MA, 01001.

Remember, if you see a little boy in town wearing a protective helmet and a big smile on his face, that's our special Angel, Michael.

Agawam Tour Planners Have Many Trips

The Agawam Tour Planners of the Agawam Senior Center will offer the following trips to the general public.

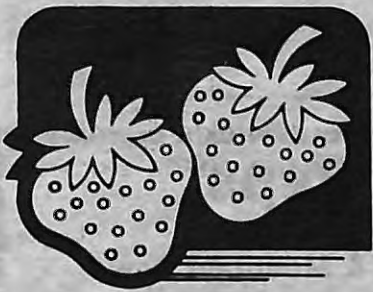
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October 14th: A one-day Mystery Trip. For more information, call Helen Blanchard at 786-9859, or Nellie Mathias at 786-9093, or stop by the ticket booth at The Agawam Senior Center daily from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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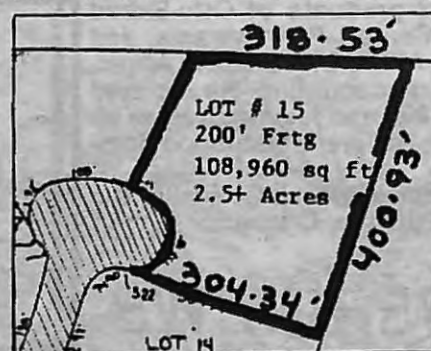


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Sharon Walsh Bride Of John Wilcox

Sharon Walsh, daughter of John & Rosemary Walsh of Pineview Circle, Agawam, was married on May 30th to John Wilcox, son of William and Dorothy Wilcox of Duke Center, Pennsylvania.

The marriage ceremony took place at 10:30 a.m. at St. John the Evangelist Church. The bride's godfather, the Reverend Richard Meehan, pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church, officiated at the ceremony.

Kristine Walsh, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Kimberly Walsh, sister of the bride; Joanne Wilcox, twin sister of the groom; and Michelle Montesi, Lisa St. George, and Maria Belmont.

Stephen Wilcox served his brother as best man. Ushers were William Wilcox and Harold Wilcox, brothers of the groom; Timothy Raught, Michael Garilli, and Carl Templin.

Melanie English, niece of the groom, was the flower girl; and Michael Wilcox, nephew of the groom, served as ring bearer.

A reception for 150 guests was held at Chez Josef following the ceremony.

The bride is a 1984 graduate of Agawam High School and graduated in 1988 from Bentley College in Waltham, with a B.S. in accounting. She has recently earned her CPA certificate and is employed as a Senior Staff Accountant by Blum, Shapiro and Company in Farmington, Connecticut.

Mr. Wilcox is a 1983 graduate of Otto-Eldred High School in Duke Center, Pennsylvania, and graduated in 1987 from Alfred University in Alfred, New York, with a B.S. in accounting. He received his CPA certificate in 1991 and is employed as an Internal Auditor by the Travelers Insurance Company in Hartford.

Upon their return from a trip to Colorado, the couple will reside in Plainville, Connecticut.

Agawam Congregational Church Lists Many Events For Upcoming Week

The Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam, announces its weekly listing of important dates and activities to remember:

This Sunday, June 21, will be the church's Special Father's Day Service. This Service will begin its Summer Schedule and starts at 9:30 a.m. (the Summer Schedule will continue through September 6th, 1992).

Family Night at the church is Friday, June 19th, starting at 6:30 p.m. Bring your favorite dessert and stay for a special program on self defense, which will be presented downstairs in the church's educational wing.

Child care will be provided during the self defense program. For more information on this event, please call Sue Tapply, 786-1430, or the church office, 786-7111.

The Wednesday Night Service continues each week at 7:30 p.m., with the R.E.L.A.T.E. service following at 8:00 p.m.

The Agawam Congregational Church will be holding its Vacation Bible Camp, beginning June 29th through July 2nd.

The camp runs daily from 9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. (the time for two year-olds is 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon). Classes are filling up quickly, and over 60 children have already signed up.

This year's theme is "Fruits of the Spirit." Cost is \$5 per child and \$10 per family (three or more

children). Register your child (or children) by Friday, June 19th.

Call the church office for more information at 786-1111.

The next New Member Class will begin on Sunday, July 12th, at 6:00 p.m. Anyone wishing to join the church is welcome to attend. For more information, please call the church office at 786-7111.

The following is a list of the winners of the Agawam Congregational Church's recently held Golf Tournament:

WOMEN'S

- * Low net (1st place) - Shirley Cassanelli
- * 2nd place - Marlon Brindle
- * 3rd place - Phyllis Lewis
- * Nearest to the pin on the 11th hole - Dot Coon
- * Longest drive on the 16th hole - Joan Williams

MEN'S

- * Low net (1st place) - Steve Perrault
- * 2nd place - Steve Tapply
- * 3rd place - Ed Modlewski
- * Nearest to the pin on the 11th hole - Rob Psholka
- * Longest drive on the 16th hole - Frank Kuczarski

JUNIORS

- * Low net (1st place) - Carl Perkins
- Congratulations to all our winners and all golfers for another successful tournament!

U.S. Postal Service Offers Suggestions For Protecting Your Mail When On Vacation

When you make plans for your summer vacation, you have several options available to protect your mail. Protecting your mail will also protect your property from possible break-ins. Nothing gives your absence away more than an accumulation of uncollected mail and newspapers.

If you expect to be away only a short period of time, you may find it convenient to ask a friend or neighbor to pick up your mail.

For absences, of thirty days or less, you may have your mail held at the post office. This is accomplished by filling out PS Form 8076 at your post office.

You may pick up your mail on return or arrange for it to be delivered. In any case, it is always a good idea to call the post office upon return to have your delivery resumed.

If you plan to be away more than 30 days, you will want to consider a temporary Change of Address Order. Simply pick up a Change of Address Order form at your post office and fill it out. Be sure to include the date you want your mail service resumed.

Your mail will be forwarded to you at your new temporary address for up to one year. Magazines will be forwarded for 60 days. Advertisements will not be forwarded unless that service has been requested by the sender.

Should you require further information regarding forwarding your mail, contact your local post office.

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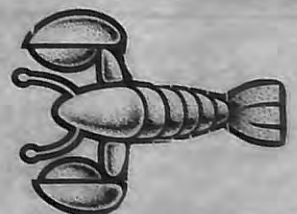
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Timeless Truth For Today... A Letter To Dad

by Roger Martin, Pastor
Agawam Church Of The Bible

Dear Dad,

My teacher said that Sunday is "Father's Day," a special day for dads. Mom said I should write you a letter and I think that's a neat idea, because I think you are the greatest dad in the whole world.

I guess you know that I am 6 and ½ now, which is pretty old, I think. I can read words out of real books. Maybe I can read you a book from the library tonight, if you have time.

I had fun with you at the ball game last night. I like it when we can do things together. I could hear you cheering all the way in the outfield where I was standing. Maybe you could ask Michael's dad not to yell at him; I know he was really trying to hit the ball.

Those flowers you got mom a few days ago still look good on the kitchen table. I think mom really likes them. It makes me feel good when you and mom are happy together. Do you know that Sandra's mom and dad don't live at the same house anymore, and sometimes I worry ... that would be the worst thing in the world.

Dad, what is God like? (I'll bet he's a lot like you!) It's O.K. to hear about him at church some, but I would really like it if you would tell me about him. I'll be you know a lot about him like you do about everything.

Thanks for the hug today before you went to work. I get busy playing sometimes and it may seem like it's not that important to me, but it really is. It reminds me that you love me ... and I love you, too.

Your son or daughter

"Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord."

(The Bible, Ephesians 6:4)

United Methodist Lists Weekly Events

The Agawam United Methodist Church will celebrate Father's Day this Sunday, June 21st, at the regular 9:30 a.m. Worship Hour.

The role of fathers will be appreciated, and in the sermon "Honor thy Father," Pastor Laurence Hill will deal with the call of fathers and the pressure on them to be a super-hero.

Mark Mickey will sing a solo, and Tina Wright will read a children's story. Nursery care will be available.

Plans are complete for the church's Giant Flea Market this Saturday, June 20th, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served by church members as customers browse among the booths.

Face-painting will be available for the children at the family-oriented event, which will help pay for heating system repairs at the church. Admission is free.

Vacation Bible School registrations are being accepted at Agawam United Methodist Church for the week of July 20th through 24th.

Mrs. Lillian Haidemenos and Mrs. Jean Hill will direct the school. All children entering kindergarten through grade six are welcome on a first-come, first-served basis (with registrations limited).

Registration forms are at the church, 786-4174, with a donation of \$6 per child (\$12 maximum per family) through June 30th.

Agawam United Methodist Church is on Route 57, across from Agawam High School. The public is always welcome, and information may be had by calling Pastor Laurence Hill, 786-5278, or Lay Leader Percy Mickey, 786-7991.

Cub Pack 75 Plans Car Wash For June 20

Cub Pack 75 of Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills, is sponsoring a car wash Saturday, June 20th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

It will be held at the Sacred Heart Church parking lot on Springfield Street.

All proceeds will benefit the Pack.

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LISA A. PAPITTO & ANTHONY A. JOSEPH

Lisa Papitto Engaged To Anthony Joseph

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Papitto of Cranston, Rhode Island announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Ann Papitto, to Anthony A. Joseph.

Anthony, a 1987 graduate of Agawam High School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Joseph of Feeding Hills.

The couple are graduates of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and are employed by Marriott Management Services/Health Care Division in the Boston area.

They plan to be married in April of 1993.

Hot Heads Salon Plans Lisa Ziegert Fundraiser

On Saturday, June 27th the staff at Hot Heads Salon will be cutting as many heads of hair as possible to raise money for a local fund.

A \$10 donation is the cost of a haircut, which also includes a wash. The cost for children under 10 is \$5. No appointment is necessary.

All proceeds will benefit the Lisa Ziegert Scholarship Fund.

Brenda, Kelly, Ann, Mary, Jodi and Chris will be happy to donate their time and service to the community, and they hope to see you from 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 27th.

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Ag. Historical Society Enjoys Dinner At F.H. Congregational



THE AGAWAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY enjoyed a dinner meeting recently at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, courtesy of Operation Friendship, the church-sponsored international summer youth exchange program. **IN PHOTO LEFT**, secretary Marjorie Carter goes over some meeting business; **IN PHOTO RIGHT**, members pictured are (back row) Helen Manning (treasurer), Marjorie Carter (secretary), Wesley Bradford (president), Dr. Raymond Casella (vice-president). Front row - members John Manning, Ann Bradford, and Cecylia Butler. Advertiser News photos by R.T. McMullen.

WMass Disabled Plan Tag Sale June 20 & 21

The Disabled of Western Mass., Inc., a non-profit advocacy agency for the physically challenged, is looking for donated, clean, usable articles (no clothes, please), to be sold at a fundraising tag sale to be held on June 20th and 21st (rain date, June 27th and 28th).

If you have anything you would like to donate, please call Henry at 789-3510 or Paula, 786-4972, after 6:00 p.m.

All donations will be greatly appreciated.

Placeks Announce Birth Of Daughter

Mark and Gina (Gamache) Placek of Agawam are the proud parents of a baby girl, Lindsey Marie Placek.

Lindsey was born June 3rd at Baystate Medical Center, weighing five pounds, 14 ounces.

Lindsey is the first grandchild of Philippe and Susan Gamache of Feeding Hills.

Paternal grandparents are Richard and Marcia Placek of Westfield.



OPERATION FRIENDSHIP MEMBERS at Feeding Hills Congregational Church cooking for members of the Agawam Historical Society include, from left - Eriks Fisher, Fran Drewnowski, Joanne Fisher, and John Mineo. Advertiser News photos by R.T. McMullen.

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Airman Peter Graves Grad Of Fuel Systems

Airman Peter J. Graveline has graduated from the aircraft fuel systems mechanic course at Chanute Air Force Base, Rantoul, Illinois.

Students were taught to inspect and repair intricate aircraft fuel systems. Topics included aircraft familiarization, technical publications, fuel system tools, safety and safety devices, and corrosion control.

He is the son of Barbara A. Leroux of 380 Meadow Street, Agawam.

Ziti Dinner At Valley Community

Valley Community Church, 152 South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, will hold a ziti and meatball supper on Wednesday, June 24th.

The menu will consist of ziti with sauce, meatballs, salad, bread and butter, desserts, and beverages.

The cost will be \$6 for adults, and \$3 for children under 12 years of age. There will be continuous servings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

For reservations, call the church at (413) 786-2445 or call (413) 786-2891.

Knitting Guild At Yarn Shop In F.H.

The Greater Springfield Knitting Guild will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 23rd at 7:00 p.m. at the Yarn Shop, 360 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills.

All knitters, both beginners and advanced, are welcome.

For further information, contact Frieda at 567-6387 or Judy at 567-5380.

Amy Ferry Celebrates 90th Birthday

Recently celebrating her 90th birthday was Amy Ferry of 209 Meadow Street, Agawam.

She resides with her sister, Emily Hutchinson. Many people wished her "Happy Birthday," either in person or by the many cards she received. Among them was another sister, Edith LaFrancis, also of Agawam.

Mass. Citizens For Life To Meet In Agawam

The Agawam Chapter of Mass. Citizens for Life will meet on Tuesday, June 23rd at 7:30 p.m. at the Agawam Police Station Community Room.

For more information, call 789-4117 or 568-1679.

**Look Who's
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Speaking From The Bible...

"Life's Greatest Gift"

by Pastor David Lanquist, Faith Bible Church
370 Shoemaker Lane, Agawam

A noted theologian has said: "One of the greatest hindrances to the Christian faith is accepting a gift which we don't earn." What an insightful statement.

Our ingrained work ethic revolts against the thought of simply asking Christ to save us. After all, since salvation is such a majestic offer, surely we must somehow earn it. We think we just have to do something to attain it.

Therein seems to be a troublesome stumbling block to embracing Christ. He has done so much for us; now we must do something for Him in return. That usually translates into a lifestyle of good intentions and good works.

While that kind of lifestyle certainly is commen-

dable, it won't merit salvation because redemption cannot be earned. Listen to what God's Word has to say in this regard. "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast." (Ephesians 2:8, 9). Man is trapped in a hopeless, sinful state before a Holy God. His only way out is if God takes the initiative and rescues him.

That is exactly what He did at the cross—motivated purely by His love for man, not because man deserved it. Thus, Christianity is a gift—the most wonderful, enduring gift of eternal and abundant life. And what can one do with a gift other than simply receive it?

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Monday: Baked chicken breast, stuffing with gravy, corn, rye bread, fresh fruit.

Tuesday: Turkey loaf with gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, whole wheat bread, peaches.

Wednesday: Cranberry juice, country pie (hamburg, rice, cheese, tomatoes), tossed salad, pumpernickel bread, mixed fruit.

Thursday: Minestrone, meatball grinder, cucumber, tomato salad, lemon crunch.

Friday: Baked fish, rice florentine, mixed vegetables, rye bread, vanilla pudding with whipped topping.

Forest Park Zoo Dad's Half Price

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Don't miss the annual **Dad's Half Price** at the Zoo in Forest Park, Sunday, June 21st from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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Russell Berryman Arrives For Army Duty

Army Private Russell R. Berryman, an artillery fire-support specialist, has arrived for duty here.

He is the son of Richard R. and Antoinette R. Berryman of 31 High Meadow Road, Feeding Hills.

The soldier is a 1991 graduate of Agawam High School.

Agawam Parks Dept. Still Accepting Children For Perry Lane Summer Camp

The Town of Agawam, Parks and Recreation Department announces that space is still available in all sessions of its summer day camp, which will be held at Perry Lane Park.

This summer day camp will be held Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., beginning Monday, June 29th and ending Friday, August 21st. The camp will be available to all town children who have completed kindergarten to 13 years of age. Camp will be closed on Friday, July 3rd, 1992.

Registration forms are now available in the Parks and Recreation Office, daily Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. **Only a parent or legal guardian may sign the camp forms.** Registration will be taken until the camp has reached its maximum. An eight-week program will be offered along with four two-week programs.

Eight-week session: June 29th through August 21st, 1992. Cost: \$300 with bus transportation; \$200, without.

Two-week session: June 29th through July 10th, 1992; July 13th through July 24th, 1992; July 27th through August 7th, 1992; August 10th through August 21st. Cost: \$75 per session with bus transportation; \$50 per session without transportation.

Camp will run rain or shine. We will only cancel camp if there is a severe weather situation. Notification will be placed on radio station WMAS (1450 A.M. or 94.7 F.M.). If you are still in doubt, call the Recreation Office at 786-0400, extension 456 or 467. This program is NOT a built-in babysitting service. If an unforeseen problem does arise, the camp will close immediately for the health and safety of campers and staff.

Your child will have to bring his/her lunch. There will be no snack bar available, so please send your child with a nourishing lunch and drink so that he/she will have enough energy for the full day. We suggest the lunch be placed in a small cooler or lunch box with a freezer pack to keep everything cool rather than a paper bag.

Please send your child with a swim suit and towel every day as the pool will be used on a regular basis. Camp will follow a daily schedule of activities. Each and every camper will be expected to participate in the scheduled activities which will include swim lessons, arts/crafts, fishing, archery, sports camps, games, and complete use of the wooded area.

The camp fee is not refundable for any reason, nor transferable to other children attending camp (even if your child is suspended for disciplinary problems).

Memorial Memories To Friends & Relatives Available Through American Heart Asso.

Massachusetts residents can keep more than memories of family or friends alive when they participate in the American Heart Association's memorial gift program.

"Think of bypass surgery, pacemakers, CPR courses, and blood pressure medication, and you're talking about advances made possible in part by memorial contributions to the American Heart Association," says Anthony Cerce, Jr., Chairman of the Massachusetts Affiliate's Development Committee.

The American Heart Association sends a memorial program sympathy card to the bereaved on behalf of each contributor. The amount of the

contribution is not disclosed to the card recipient.

"The contribution can be from an individual or from many, such as a family or group of employees," Cerce explains.

For more information on the memorial program, call the American Heart Association, Massachusetts Affiliate, at (508) 620-1700.

The American Heart Association is dedicated to reducing disability and death from cardiovascular diseases and stroke, which take the lives of almost one-million Americans each year.

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Old-Style Weddings At Old Storowton

Enjoy a marriage between the past and present by holding your wedding at Storowton Village Museum's quaint 19th century church, the Union Meeting House.

The Union Meeting House, circa 1834, is one of nine reconstructed antique buildings from throughout New England, set around a picturesque Green, that comprise Storowton Village Museum. These magnificent structures are a testament to the timeless beauty of 18th and 19th century New England architecture.

The Meeting House, a popular site for 20th century weddings, was, ironically, built in Salisbury, New Hampshire, by four Protestant Congregations who believed marriage belonged in the realm of the government rather than the church.

Only civil officers of the state, namely a justice of the peace appointed by the governor, had the authority to perform a wedding. Weddings generally took place in the bride's home. The Meeting House was primarily used for Sunday services, lectures and town meetings. Weddings were not generally performed by clergy in Storowton's Meeting House until the late 1880's.

Times have changed, but the majestic ambience of the Meeting House has not. The perfect complement to a wedding held in a historic church is a reception held in a historic inn: Old Storowton Tavern. In addition to providing traditional New England fare, the Tavern also offers reception and banquet facilities.

Storowton Village Museum is located on the grounds of Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield. For more information on reserving the Union Meeting House for your wedding, please call Chris Murray, wedding consultant for Storowton Village Museum, at (413) 787-0136.

Environmentalists Slate Annual Tag Sale

The fourth annual Tag and Yard Sale, sponsored by Advocates for a Safe Environment, will be held Saturday, June 20th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at 15 Thomas Drive, West Springfield (across from Friendly's on Westfield Street).

Tag sale item donations are being accepted. Call 739-4029 or 739-9043.

Westfield Theatre Group Still Accepting Applications For Youth Summer Theatre

The Westfield Theatre Group of the Westfield Woman's Club is accepting registrations for its Summer Youth Theatre Workshop for young people 13 to 18 years of age.

No previous theatre experience is necessary. The instructor is CTA award winning director Larry Andersen, M.Ed.

The workshop will begin Monday, July 6th and run through August 7th at the Westfield Woman's Club, 28 Court Street, Westfield.

The workshop will be held weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The workshop will include

classes in acting, auditioning, and improvisation. The students will also receive instruction in set construction, lighting, make-up, costume and play production.

The highlight of the workshop will be a production the evening of August 7th open to the public—produced by and starring the students.

Tuition is \$300 for the five weeks and must be paid at the time of registration. Registration is limited to the first 20 applicants.

The deadline for registration is June 30th. For further information or a registration form, call 568-8149.



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Library Encourages Summer Reading

Sign up for a summer of fun in June at the Agawam Public Library!

This year's theme is "Reach for it—Read!", and ties in with the Summer Olympic games. Read library books that you enjoy and earn coupons toward raffle prizes, stickers toward a grand raffle prize and attend special programs with your membership card as a ticket.

Come to the library anytime during June to sign up, collect your membership card and start reading! You can begin earning coupons the day after school ends. We know that we'll have lots of Reading Champions throughout the summer months!

Children who are not yet in school and who cannot yet read by themselves are invited to join the Read-To-Me Club. This program rewards them for sharing 10 books with a family member or older friend.

"Bee a Winner" is our motto, and preschoolers are cordially invited to sign-up in the Read-To-Me Register and start sharing anytime after June 1st.

We look forward to showing off their booklists with everyone in town!

NOTE TO PARENTS:

Studies show that continued reading throughout the summer not only helps children retain their reading skills for the next school year, but it also greatly increases the likelihood of lifelong reading for enjoyment.

Open Pantry Helps With Perry Lane Camp

Each year the West Springfield Open Pantry, with gifts from the community, provides camper-ships to Perry Lane Park Camp for the children of the families who come to the Pantry.

This has been a very successful program for the children and they look forward to going each summer. Many times, the boys and girls have little to do during the summer months.

This year, nine children have registered for day camp at a cost of \$75 each. Presently, they are \$500 short of being able to send these children.

On behalf of the children, Open Pantry is asking for donations to their Campership Fund. They may be sent to the West Springfield Open Pantry, 1023 Main Street West Springfield.

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Nursing Home Resident Feted As Volunteer



HERITAGE HALL South Building held a Resident Volunteer Recognition Celebration recently. One of the residents honored was Pauline Gibbs. She is pictured with Activity Director Karen Wilson. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.

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Spotlight On Business

Boglich Nursery Has Grown & Grown Since Opening In 1968

by Dale Fiske
Advertiser News Feature Writer

Arbor Vitae, pachysandra, juniper, endora, and a large variety of other ground covers and borders fill the front yard of **Boglich Nursery**, 1822 Main Street, just beyond Riverside Park.

Also grown at the nursery are many types of conifer and deciduous trees that range in size from seedlings to those with a 100 foot ball.

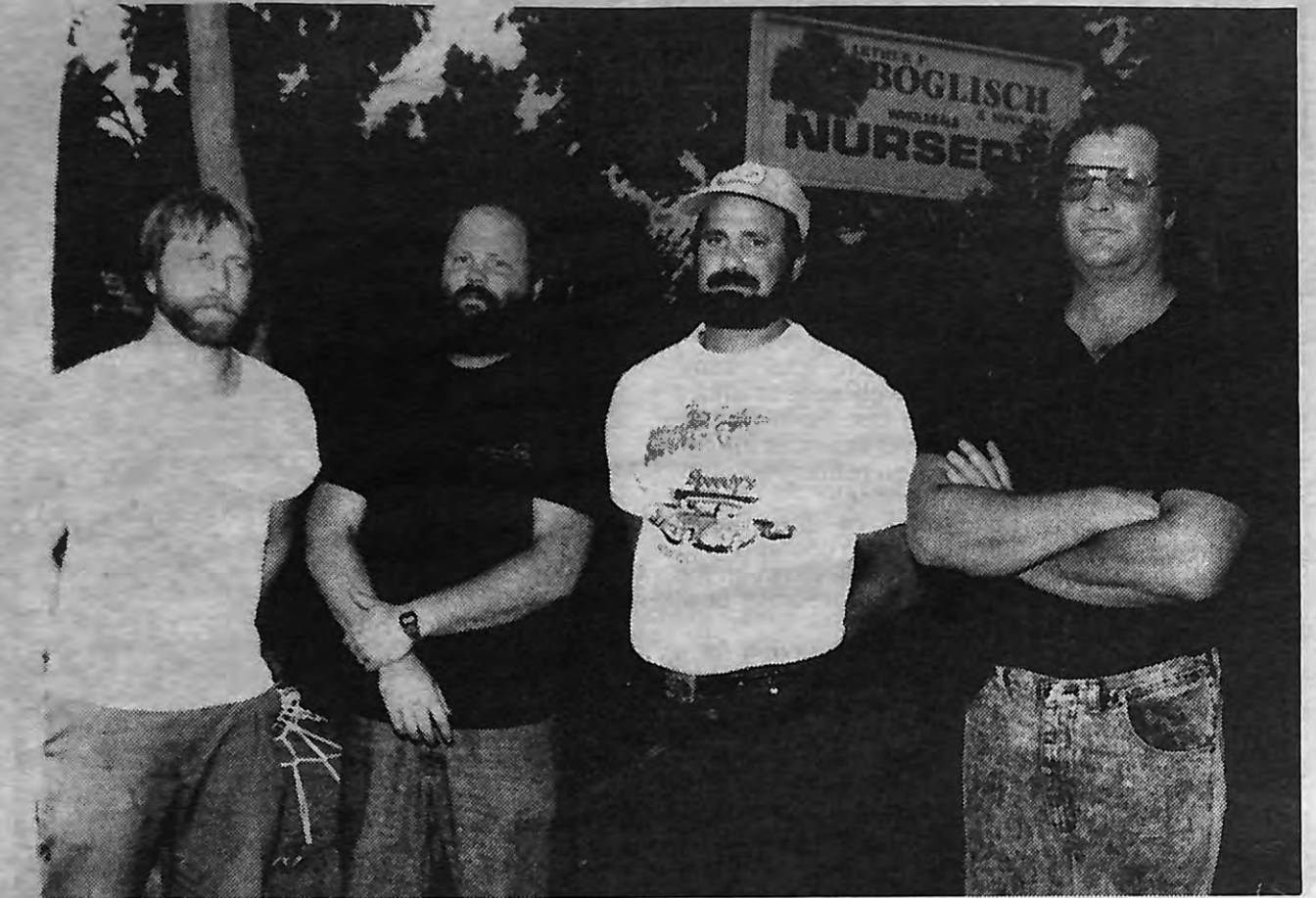
Boglich Nursery is a family-run business that was started over 20 years ago by Arthur & Donna Boglich. The elder Boglichs now reside on the island of St. Croix, where, with their daughter, Brenda, they own another nursery. Brothers Glenn, Jeff, and Dale operate the Agawam and Feeding Hills farms. Dale said, "Being a family business is nice because of what one of us doesn't know, another will." He feels this is an asset to the business that also provides fast and efficient service to the customers.

Special service is part of their business, also. Last year, **Boglich Nursery** cut Christmas trees and quickly froze them. They were shipped to St. Croix. Many of the trees and vegetation there had been wiped out by Hurricane Hugo several years ago. The Christmas trees arrived in good shape and the project was a success.

Boglich Nursery is primarily a wholesale nursery, but recently opened to the public on weekends. Brian Reynolds, retail manager, is a professional, knowledgeable in design, planting, lawn seeding, installations, and turf maintenance. Reynolds said he is available to answer questions and help people with their landscaping and lawn problems.

A large selection of conifers is available at **Boglich Nursery**. Many species of pine, spruce, and fir grow profusely over the 110 acre farm on Main Street. A stand of Austrian Pine are presently being sheered to maintain their conical shape and promote axial growth.

A few of the other available varieties of conifers include Japanese Black Pine, a leggy and irregularly-shaped tree, Conical Pine, and Norway Spruce; White Fir, that emits an aroma like



THE BOGLISCH BOYS, Dale, Glenn, and Jeff, and employee Brian Reynolds, are busy from dawn to dusk with their huge wholesale business. The Boglich family has opened a nursery for retail on Main Street, just near the Suffield line. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

tangerines; Douglas Pine; and Serbian Spruce, which identifies itself with a silvery-white line on the underside of the needles.

Boglich Nursery also stocks deciduous trees. Varieties include Ash, Linden and many species of Maple trees. In addition, there are three types of Birch trees. European Birch and Paper Birch have the familiar white bark. A large block of River Birches are also grown. Dale explained, "River Birches are very pretty trees. They have a beige bark and heavier growth to the main cane."

Other selections available at **Boglich Nursery** are white, purple and purple-blue Lilacs and flowering Crabtrees. Dale said for those people wanting to invite wildlife into their yards, Amalan-chier, also known as Shadblow or Serviceberry, is a good choice. These trees grow berries that birds love.

Azaleas, Rhododendron, and Dwarf Alberta Spruce are other specialties grown by the Boglichs on their farms. Glenn explained that by growing their own, "the trees handle the winter weather here better."

All trees sold, whether wholesale or retail, are dug either by machine or by hand. Hand digging is becoming a lost art. It requires a sturdy shovel honed to the sharpness of an ax. The tree ball is then removed and put into burlap. The sack is held closed with an intricately tied drum lacing. Hand digging enables the nursery to dig trees a customer may choose in a location inaccessible to a machine.

Boglich Nursery is open on Friday from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m., and on Saturday and Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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Retirement Worries Hit Baby-Boomers

Many Americans are deeply worried they won't have enough money in retirement, and "baby-boomers" in particular may not be able to afford to retire as early as they would like. Here we present the first of two columns that examine the findings of a new national survey on retirement commissioned by IDS Financial Services.

The survey was conducted by the Daniel Yankelovich Group, Inc., of New York and was completed by 1,400 employed people between the ages of 35 and 64 with household incomes of at least \$30,000.

Although survey respondents say saving for a secure retirement is their top priority, only half think they are doing well at it.

Three-quarters are concerned that they'll have to lower their standard of living in retirement. Half think they'll have to work at least part-time in order to make ends meet. And, almost one-fifth fear that, in the worst case, they might be homeless in their later years.

As many as 94% of those surveyed said being financially independent in retirement is important to them, yet only 38% said it is very likely they'll achieve that independence.

Baby-boomers are most worried about retirement and believe they may have to work longer, save more of their incomes now, or live on less in retirement than planned. Baby-boomers want a higher yearly income than the older respondents—\$42,000 compared to \$32,000 and they also want to retire earlier—age 60 compared to age 62. To accomplish this, they would have to save well over \$500 a month during their working years.

Baby-boomers are particularly pessimistic about how they'll live in pre-retirement, about the future of Social Security, about inflation eroding their retirement savings, and about achieving financial independence.

Other major findings of the survey:

- Even though half of the people surveyed said they don't think Social Security will amount to much by the time they retire, people are still counting on Social Security to provide one-fourth of the money they'll need in retirement.

- The majority say they want and expect more information and help from their employers on saving for retirement.

- Almost three-quarters want the full tax deduction for IRAs restored.

- One-fourth are concerned about depending on a child or relative for support.

- Well over half of those surveyed said they haven't spent enough time on retirement planning, and just under half said they wished they had started saving for retirement earlier.

As more baby-boomers reach retirement age, planning for retirement may be on its way to becoming the number one financial concern of the 90s. Having a financial plan and staying with it is one way to overcome the financial and emotional worries of approaching retirement.

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OVER AT BOGLISCH NURSERY on Main Street, Agawam (near the Suffield line), Brian Reynolds (right) and Jeff Boglich load a truck. RELATED STORY & PHOTO ON PREVIOUS PAGE. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

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Spotlight On Business - continued...



Common Sense With Your \$\$\$

by Raymond Rose

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Mortgage Excitement Mounts

An updated mortgage program has just been released in this area which is creating a tremendous amount of excitement ... especially for those that are currently renting an apartment.

The newly revamped FARMERS HOME LOAN PROGRAM (a mortgage program sponsored through the U.S. Government) is now available in this area which allows buyers to purchase a home in rural locations with NO MONEY DOWN. Thus, thousands of employed renters who have lacked the funds needed to buy a house, now qualify using this unique liberal program.

Let's Review Some of the Specifics...

- Financing is provided for 100% of the purchase price
- This program applies only to single family houses
- The mortgage amount can be no higher than \$124,875
- The borrowers must be employed with an income of no higher than approximately \$40,000 for a family of four (if your family is larger, you can earn additional income)
- 29% of your monthly gross income can be used towards your monthly mortgage payment which includes principal, interest, taxes and insurance (PITI)
- 41% of your monthly gross income can be used towards your mortgage payment (PITI) plus monthly debts (car loan, credit cards, student loans, etc.)
- Only 30 year, fixed rate loan programs are available ... there are no adjustable rate mortgages
- There is no P.M.I. (Private Mortgage Insurance) to pay
- The seller of the property can pay up to 3% of all closing costs for the buyer
- You DO NOT have to be a first time buyer to qualify for this special loan ... anyone who currently does not own a house can apply
- No cash reserves are required
- No previous credit is needed to apply ... though if you currently have credit, it must be in decent condition (call me for specific advice in this area). Even someone who declared bankruptcy three or more years ago is available to take advantage of this program
- The applicants must be U.S. citizens or legal aliens
- The buyers must live in the house
- The buyers are responsible for paying their closing escrows (plus/minus \$1,000, which can come from your last month's rental payment).

your last month's rental payment)

In addition, adjustments are given to those families that have minors, disabled/handicapped adults, full-time adult students, elderly, excessive medical bills, and more.

House Must Be In a Rural Area

As I stated above, this loan program must be used to purchase properties in areas that the government determines are rural. Instead of telling you exactly which areas are considered rural throughout Western Massachusetts, it'll be easier for me to tell you in what cities/towns this program does not qualify ... Springfield, Chicopee, Holyoke, Northampton, Pittsfield, Amherst, West Springfield, Longmeadow, Agawam, Westfield, East Longmeadow, South Hadley and Easthampton.

Thus, towns such as Southwick, Granville, Russell, Montgomery, and Southampton near us ... and towns like Wilbraham, Hamden, Monson, Palmer, Granby and Belchertown on the other side of Springfield, plus the remainder of Western Massachusetts, qualify for this great opportunity.

There are several other minor conditions that apply, but nevertheless, I'm sure you'll agree, this is a great opportunity.

Thus, thousands of additional people, especially those that currently rent, now qualify to purchase a home! Plus, the program is simple and easy ... and can be processed in 5-7 weeks, which means that once you find a house you want to buy and agree on an acceptable price with the seller, you could be living in your home in less than two months.

I'm sure by now you're saying that this whole thing sounds too good to be true ... there must be a catch. Well, there isn't.

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Best wishes for success!

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Woronoco Offers More Services For Its Handicapped Patrons

Westfield: Woronoco Savings Bank recently completed a thorough review of its facilities designed to identify opportunities to better serve disabled customers.

In conjunction with the Americans With Disabilities Act, legislation affecting all businesses, Woronoco's goal is to help individuals with disabilities enjoy full and equal use of the bank's services.

"In order to fully evaluate how our products and services could be made more accessible, we decided to perform a complete audit of our facilities," said James E. Gardner, Senior Vice President of Woronoco Savings Bank.

"The objective of the audit was to ensure that our facilities could be approached, entered, and used easily and conveniently by individuals with disabilities. Because Woronoco has a long standing tradition of service to our total community, we are taking these pro-active steps to strengthen the quality of our service to customers in need of special accommodations.

"We want to assure that there are no physical or communication barriers impeding Woronoco's delivery of service to persons with disabilities. We understand and believe the concept of flexible solutions for all our customers," he said.

As a result of its facilities audit, Woronoco Savings has identified and completed a variety of modifications to its facilities, and has designated the Main Office, 31 Court Street, Westfield, and the Ames/Big Y Office, College Highway, Southwick as specially accessible to those who are disabled.

To ensure that these customers have the opportunity to fully meet their financial needs, new accommodations for wheel chair accessibility in the lobby, Customer Service area and Safe Deposit Department have been added. Additional curb ramps, widened parking and signage will soon be completed.



CUSTOMER BRIAN MORRILL is being serviced by teller Pam Bartlett at Woronoco Savings Bank.

The Bank will also conduct staff training to educate their employees about individuals with disabilities, thus ensuring that no one will be inadvertently discriminated against based on a disability.

In keeping with its efforts to enhance accessibility for special needs customers, a (TDD) Telecommunication Device for the Deaf and hearing impaired has been installed at the Bank's Main Office and can be reached at 568-9141.

Donna Pellerin Joins Landry, Lyons, Whyte

Laurence D. Landry, president of LANDRY, LYONS & WHYTE Company/Better Homes and Gardens announces that Donna Pellerin has joined the Chicopee office as a Sales Associate.

Donna holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Springfield College and has a varied background in sales, retail management, insurance and in the fitness industry. She has been a lifelong resident of the Chicopee area.

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Backyard Cooking Can Be Great Fun If You Take Precautions

Backyard barbecues and neighborhood cookouts can be safe and delicious this summer if the risks of food poisoning are minimized.

According to Lois Girard, R.N., Nursing Supervisor for The Professionals at Baystate Medical Center, there are two types of food poisoning—infective and non-infective.

"Infective food poisoning means that the food was infected by viral or bacterial organisms. Non-infective food poisoning means that the food was spoiled," said Girard.

Larry Pelland, production supervisor for Food Services at Baystate Medical Center, offered the following tips on how to avoid food poisoning:

—Always wash your hands before handling food.

—Never use the same unwashed utensils or cutting boards between raw and cooked meats or vegetables.

—Thaw meat under cold running water; do not let it sit on the counter.

—Clean fresh fruits and vegetables in clear water.

—Store raw meat on the bottom, and cooked meat on the top of your refrigerator or freezer.

—Thaw and cook poultry completely.

"Food is safe below 40 degrees Fahrenheit and above 145 degrees Fahrenheit," added Pelland.

The symptoms of food poisoning include the sudden onset of abdominal cramps, vomiting, and diarrhea, usually within 48 hours after eating contaminated food.

"The symptoms of food poisoning vary," said Girard. "It is self-limited and recovery usually occurs within three days," adding, "If conditions worsen after the first 24 hours, call your doctor."

Because the symptoms of food poisoning can lead to dehydration, it is important that a doctor monitor the dryness of skin and mucous membranes, and monitor urinary output.

"Persons who develop difficulty breathing or swallowing, muscle paralysis or weakness, or difficulty seeing, should be taken directly to their local emergency room," stressed Girard.

For more information on food poisoning, call The Professionals at 784-2255 in Springfield, or toll free at 1-800-HEALTH beyond the Springfield area.

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Western Mass. Republicans Plan Annual Picnic-Rally At West Side/Ag. Elks Club

The seventh Annual Picnic-Rally of Western Mass. Republicans will be held on Friday evening, June 19th at the West Springfield/Agawam Elks Pavilion, 428 Morgan Road in West Springfield.

Everyone is welcome to attend. Tickets are available at the picnic.

The Western Massachusetts candidates who will carry the GOP banner in the 1992 election will be in attendance. The picnic is an opportunity to meet those seeking office in the Congressional races and our state Legislature. This rally offers the voters an opportunity to talk personally with those who want to represent us.

Ticket prices are \$10 for a single adult or \$15 per family. A ticket entitles one to hamburgers


and hot dogs (with all the fixings) plus pickles, chips, baked beans, cole slaw, dessert, punch, coffee and beer.

Mixed drinks and carbonated beverages will be available at a "cash bar." The grill and food services will be open from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00.

There is a special ticket for seniors 62 and over—"The Senior Advantage." If they purchase an "advance sale ticket," the price is \$5 per person. By sending their check, name and address to Western Mass. Republicans, P.O. Box 4662, Springfield, MA 01101-4662 before Tuesday, June 16th, this special ticket will be mailed to them.


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Volunteer Appreciation Dinner At St. John's



IN TOP PHOTO, Ralph & Marie Demarest try the delicious buffet at the St. John's Appreciation Dinner; IN PHOTO BELOW, pictured are parishioners Carl & Ann Jackobek. Advertiser News photos by R.T. McMullen.



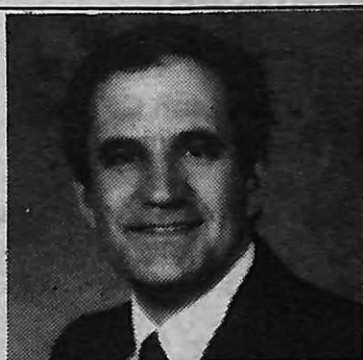
REVEREND RICHARD MEEHAN, pastor of St. John's Church, congratulates Lorraine Maniscalchi (left, co-chairwoman) and Rita Moore (right, chairwoman) for the great job they did putting together the Annual Appreciation Dinner. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



BILL BEAUDRY (right) pours some wine for TV-40 weatherman Paul Sutton, an Agawam resident, at the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner at St. John's Church. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

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Outdoor Concerts On West Side Green

The West Springfield Recreation Department announces programs for the 29th annual summer of **FREE** concerts in town, which began on Thursday, May 21st, with a concert by the West Springfield High School Band, on the Town Common at 7:30 p.m.

According to Mr. J. Anthony DiGlore, Summer Music Program Coordinator of the free 18 concert series, the theme this year is "Music Makes The Difference."

Dates and featured groups for the 1992 series are as follows:

*June 25th: Silver Bullet Swing Orchestra, Town Common

*July 2nd: Old Post Road Regional Orchestra, Town Common

*July 4th: Pioneer Valley Concert Band, Dance Sensations, Roger Tincknell, Town Common

*July 9th: Eleventh Annual Youth Music Festival, Town Common (NOTE: Youth Music Festival rain date is Friday, July 10th, 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., Town Common)

*July 16th: Westfield American Legion Band, Town Common

*July 23rd: Melha Shrine Concert Band, Town Common

*July 30th: Richie Mitnick & Troupe, Storowton Green

*August 1st: Barbeque Brass Quintet, Town Common

*August 6th: Vickie Phillips Class Act, Storowton Green

*August 13th: Jazz Bones, Town Common

*August 20th: Farmington Valley Sweet Adelines, Senior Center

*August 27th: Don Bastarache Big Band, Town Common

*December 13th: Holiday Greetings, Elm Street Gazebo

In the event of uncertain weather, all concerts will be held in the Senior Center Auditorium on 128 Park Avenue as per dates above with a 7:30 p.m. starting time.

For current events or cancellation update, call 781-3020.

A program book describing each concert location is available at all concerts or by calling 781-7550, Ext. 3284.

Dominican Nuns Plan Hour Of Song, Prayer

The monthly Hour of Prayer and Song for the families of the world will be held at the Dominican Nuns' Monastery Chapel on Sunday, June 21st at 4:00 p.m.

The public is cordially invited to attend. The service will include the singing of Evening Prayer and the recitation of the rosary, sermon and Benediction.

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The Agawam Retired Employees Association will hold a meeting for all retired town employees on June 23rd, beginning at 1:00 p.m. in the Agawam Public Library Hearing Room on Cooper Street.

The subject of the meeting will be a review of

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There will be a representative from Blue Cross/Blue Shield to answer your questions.

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"Because toddlers are naturally attracted to water, accidental falling or slipping into the water accounts for nearly half of all childhood drownings," added Cushman.

- Never leave your child alone in or near a pool. An adult, who is a strong swimmer, knows CPR, and knows how to get emergency help, should always be present when children are in the pool area.

- Fence in your pool completely. The fence should be at least five feet high so that children cannot easily climb over it.

- Teach your children water safety habits. Children should not run, push others under water, jump on others, dive or jump into shallow water, or swim during lightening storms.

- Keep rescue equipment by your pool. Poles, ropes and first-aid equipment should be available at all times.

- Place a tamper-proof cover over your pool when it is not in use.

By taking these precautions swimming can be a safe, fun way to cool off and an excellent way to exercise.

For more information on swimming safety, call The Professionals at 784-2255 in Springfield, or toll free at 1-800-HEALTH beyond the Springfield areas.

Ag. Council On Aging Calendar Of Events

New AARP Chapter Forming

There will be an organizational meeting to form an "Agawam" AARP Chapter. The Agawam Council on Aging will host the meeting at the Senior Center, 68 Meadowbrook Manor, off Wright Street.

The meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 22nd. At 10:00 a.m., all interested persons (50 years old and over) are encouraged to attend. For information, please call 786-0400, extension 242 (activities director).

Senior Center—Day Trip

A lobster clam bake cruise is scheduled for Monday, July 20th. Among the day's activities is a narrated tour of Boston's famous sights while aboard the newest, most spectacular ship in Boston Harbor.

The lunch includes Maine lobster, chicken and a scrumptious buffet, all prepared aboard the ship. Entertainment will also be on board.

The price per person is \$35.55, which includes transportation, lunch, gratuities, and taxes. Call 786-0400, extension 242 (activities director) for information.

Summer Fun Day At Agawam Library

Join in the fun at the Agawam Public Library for "Summer Fun Day" on Wednesday, June 24th from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

They'll be having some old fashioned summer fun—indoors and out. There will be storytelling, bubble-blowing fun, and seasonal snacks—all for members of the "Read-To-Me" and "Summer Reading" clubs!

Preregistration is a must as snacks are limited.

To register, call the library at 789-1550 or stop in at 750 Cooper Street, Agawam.

Agawam High Coaches Conducting Boys' Basketball Camp At WNEC

The third annual Western New England College Boys Basketball Camp will take place next month as area youngsters get an opportunity to hone their hoop skills before the school year commences again.

Basketball players aged 10-18 can lace up their sneakers from June 28th-July 3rd and/or July 27th-July 31st. A well-known and qualified staff will be on hand to provide daily instruction from 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Tuition for the sessions are \$110 for one week and \$190 if you want to attend both sessions.

Western New England College on Wilbraham Road in Springfield will be the site of the camp and the facilities at Rivers Gymnasium will be utilized.

Highlights of the camp include a low coach to player ratio; awards and contests; divisional play for all skill levels; insurance protection; individual instruction; fundamentals; and a camp T-shirt.

The camp is run by Eric Geldart, the WNEC athletic director, along with Agawam High basketball coaches Mike Martin and Lou Conte. There is also a certified athletic trainer on site at all times during the camp.

A typical day includes regulation games, lectures, drill sessions, films, question and answer periods, contests, as well as free time and a daily swim.

You can get more information by calling Lou Conte at 786-7729, Mike Martin at 732-3153 or 789-0494, or Eric Geldart at 782-1377.

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"Broadway Melodies" - June 29th—July 3rd

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"Indian Summer" - July 6th—July 10th

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"Campasaurus" - July 13th—July 17th

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If you are an outdoor enthusiast, knowing the correct treatment for insect bites and stings this summer is a necessity.

According to Lois Girard, R.N., Nursing Supervisor for The Professionals at Baystate Medical Center, "The local symptoms of insect bites or stings include pain, itching, redness, and swelling, and usually appear within minutes, but can sometimes take six to 12 hours."

For the treatment of most bites and stings with local symptoms, Girard recommended placing ice or a cold compress on the site of irritation. However, if you have been bitten by a spider, you should go to your local emergency room.

"In the case of an allergic reaction to a bite or sting, it is imperative to activate immediate medical emergency treatment by calling 911," said Girard.

The symptoms of an allergic reaction to a bite or sting include swelling in areas other than the immediate area of the bite, like the eyes, lips and tongue, coughing, sneezing, difficulty breathing, wheezing, tightness in the throat, cramps, nausea, and vomiting.

Mosquito bites can be treated with a cold compress and calamine lotion to relieve the itching. "When it comes to bee stings with local pain, swelling, and itching, the stinger can be removed, if it is visible, by a scraping motion. Pulling a stinger out is not recommended," said Girard.

To treat a tick bite, first disinfect it with rubbing alcohol, and then pull the tick straight out with a pair of tweezers. It is important to pull out the entire tick, including the head.

It is important to see your emergency room doctor if symptoms of a tick bite include a red raised rash or joint pain.

Signs of infection from any type of bite or sting include redness, warmth, and tenderness around the site, an elevated body temperature and chills. An infection should be treated by a doctor.

"If the itching intensifies or the bite becomes bigger in the first 24 hours, or if by the second or third day conditions have not improved, call your doctor," said Girard.

For more information on insect bites or stings, call The Professionals at 784-2255, or toll free at 1-800-HEALTH from outside the Springfield area.

Youth Support Group At Counseling Center

The Agawam Counseling Center will be offering a support group in July and August for boys and girls from the sixth grade who will be going into the junior high school in the fall. The group will provide a chance to talk, plan, make friends, and have fun.

The group will meet Thursday mornings from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., starting July 2nd and running until the end of August. There is no fee for the group, though members will be asked to make a small donation for snacks.

If you are interested in learning more about the group, or if you would like to schedule a screening interview, please contact Nancy Jessup at 786-6410.

Quit Smoking At Ag. Medical Center

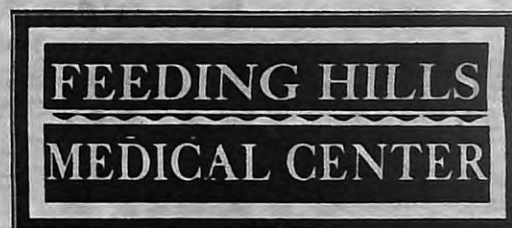
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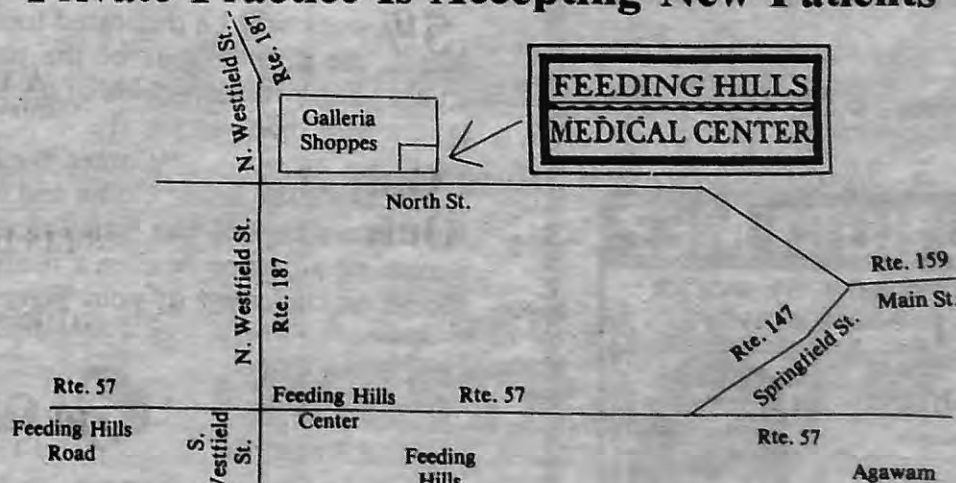
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Arts

Agawam Arts Council Plans Boston Trip

The Agawam Arts & Humanities Council is sponsoring a bus trip to Boston on September 26th.

Anyone interested in tickets may send a check made out to the Agawam Arts & Humanities Council and a self-addressed stamped envelope to Barbara Dunn, 588 Main Street, Agawam, MA 01001.

The trip will be Saturday, September 26th, with departure time at 8:00 a.m. from the parking area at the Agawam High School.

Price is \$12.50 per person and is non-refundable.

The bus will stop at the Museum of Fine Arts, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, and Quincy Market. Departure time from Boston will be at 6:00 p.m., arriving at the Agawam High School by 8:00 p.m.

If there are any questions, please feel free to call council member Barbara Dunn at 786-7147 or Beverly Secondo-Wands at 786-0138.

Special Production At Valley Community

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The production will take place at The Red Door Theatre in the Performing Arts Center on the campus of Valley Community Church, 152 South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills on Saturday, June 20th at 8:00 p.m.

Donation is \$5 for adults, \$2 for children. For more information or reservations, call 786-2445.

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Gardening Tips...

Yard & Garden Waste Is A Serious Problem

There's no time like the present to start preparing your yard for the new planting season. Before doing anything else this spring, you'll want to rake up the old leaves and thatch left over from last fall. But what do you do with all this unwanted refuse when you're done gathering it?

Yard and garden waste has become a serious problem in this country. In the past, many homeowners carted the debris from their yards to a municipal landfill and forgot about it. Now, however, with solid landscape waste consuming approximately 25% of all landfills, as many as 10 states have entirely outlawed the dumping of such materials, and as many as 30 other states are taking such restrictive actions as charging homeowners to use landfill facilities.

To get around this problem, many homeowners are looking for ways to convert and recycle grass clippings, pine needles, leaves, twigs, branches and other yard refuse. One solution is to use these materials to make your own mulch and compost. In fact, it's more than a solution in some areas; it's a law.

Converting Yard & Garden Debris

The Chipper/Shredder/Mulcher (model CS-3500) by Flowtron Outdoor Products allows home gardeners to reduce twigs and branches as thick as 2½ inches in diameter into woodchips that are ideal for a weed-killing mulch. These woodchips, which have an average lifespan of two years, are also an excellent material with which to create professional-looking pathways and decorative landscape borders. Besides wood, the Chipper/Shredder/Mulcher can effectively convert other plant materials into mulch. As a safety precaution, when using any chipper/mulcher, be sure to wear gloves and a pair of goggles to protect your hands and eyes.

Leaves have long plagued gardeners. In fact, leaves from the average autumn raking of a medium sized lawn can easily fill a multitude of garbage bags. With municipalities charging anywhere from 50 cents to \$3 per bag for pick up, it's no wonder so many homeowners burn leaves, despite the numerous environmental, legal and potential safety consequences.

There's a sensible, easy alternative to burning leaves or putting bag after bag of them out on the curb. Shred them and put them to use as a mulch in the garden. A product such as the Flowtron

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My friend Kennedy down in Clarksville, Tennessee is distraught. Powerful KDKA Radio up in Pittsburgh has gone pretty much over to talk, and Kennedy doesn't like much of what he's hearing. He provided a sample:

"Hi! Gosh! Like, wow! I didn't think—ya know, like man! I've been trying, and ya know, like gosh—it's been like, ya know man, three, maybe four and, like, ya know, I—I—I, ya know! Well, ya know I just, like, I wanted to say that, well, man, the Republicans and Democrats are, ya know, well I just don't see, like ya know, there's really not any, sort of, ya know, like difference in, ya know, what they, ah, ah, ah, and like it doesn't make any, like, ya know, like, well, ah, like man it's all the same. Ya know?"

Yeah, I know.

I had a similar reminder recently. I was scheduled for a stress test at a regional hospital, but I got a call from the technician a couple days earlier, asking that I re-schedule because she had a conflicting in-service training session that day.

I figured my slight inconvenience would be more than offset by her having the opportunity to become a better stress test technician, so I rescheduled, though not without a measure of stress.

However, it turned out, through an eventual meeting with this woman, that her training session had nothing to do with her job. It dealt, in fact, with telephone courtesy. It seems the hospital was receiving a lot of complaints from callers who got nowhere trying to conduct their business over the phone.

The technician said she asked, if following her sensitivity training in telephone courtesy, there would be follow-up or implementation of new procedures, or periodic evaluation of improvement. She reported that her question was answered with a weary smile.

It is really becoming impossible. It seems if I work my way up an endless line to a counter, the

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No One Finishes A Sentence

by Robert D. Chadbourne
Advertiser News Contributing Writer

clerk will deal with a phone caller who didn't wait at all. However, when I phone, I'm always asked, "Will you hold?" Then, before I can reply, I'm on hold!

These things are progressive. Remember when we first got right turns on red? We drove up to the light, stopped, looked both ways, then turned. Today motorists don't even slow down for right turns on red.

It's the same way with verbal communications. Nobody finishes a sentence anymore. We get to the point that the other person feels he can take it from there, and off he or she goes.

I had one yesterday. A woman called to ask me if I had written a particular book. I replied that I had not. "Oh well, the reason I'm looking for it—" and off she went, into a story that was of zero interest to me.

I also often hear from people in disagreement with something I've written or broadcast. I listen until they stop. When I begin to answer, they interrupt. Again, I wait until they stop. Then I say, "Now, I haven't interrupted you twice now. If you will let me answer without interrupting, I'll try to give you a full explanation. However, once I begin talking, I want to talk until I finish. If you say one word after all the time I've given you, I will hang up. At this time, you may indicate whether we should continue."

Some hang up, some say go ahead, and I've even won a few over.

Kennedy, like myself, went through college as an adult, and he says he has never known an educated person who acquired the education by attending schools. "When I went to college, seniors said that if you can make it through freshman registration, you can make it through to graduation."

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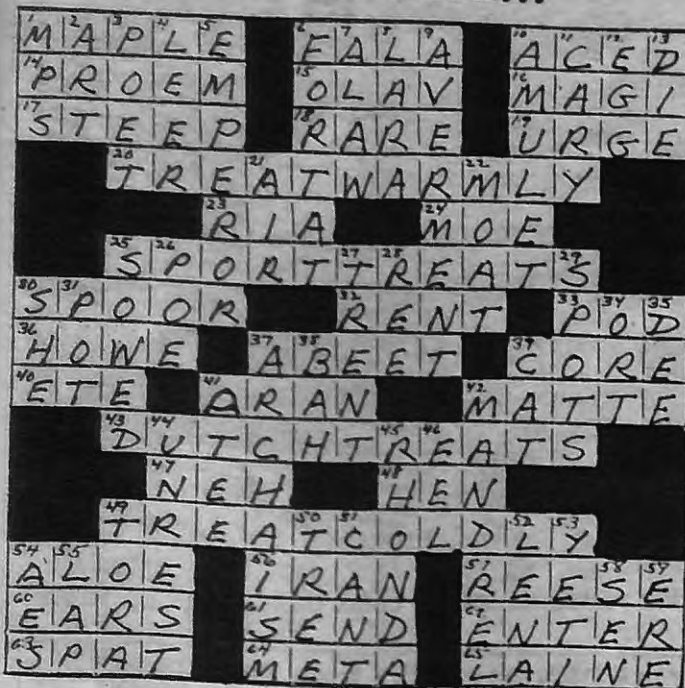
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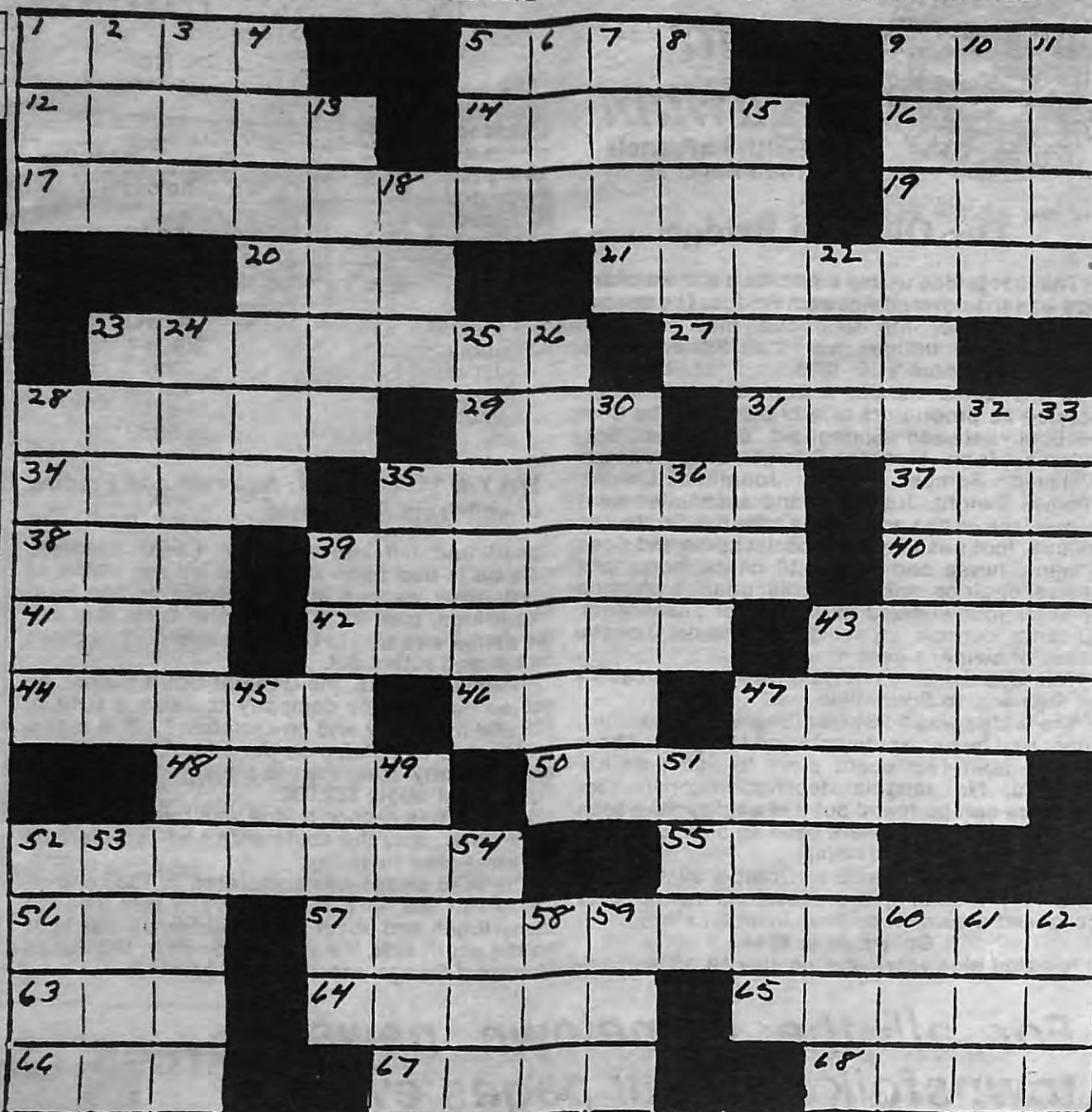
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MEET THE MASTER - by Dick Mastroianni...



GARDENING TIPS - from Page 28...

Electric Leaf-Eater (LE-900) can reduce 11 bags of leaves into one. Spread two- to four-inches deep around trees, shrubs and flower beds, shredded leaves make a great mulch. They are also an excellent source of organic material and can be mixed into the soil to aerate heavy clay soils, retain moisture in sandy soils and hold in valuable nutrients in any and all soils.

Make Your Own Compost

Perhaps nothing beats a rich compost for adding texture and nutrients to your soil. Shredded leaves, woodchips, grass clippings and pine needles make superb compost when combined

with eggshells, coffee grounds, vegetable peels and other organic matter from around the kitchen. The decomposition of these materials creates a natural humus loaded with nutrients.

For best results, mix about one part carbon-based plant material (including leaves and compost activator) to one part nitrogen-based plant material, such as grass clippings and vegetable peelings. The smaller the particles you add to your pile, the faster they will break down and blend together. Make sure that there are no weeds among the plant material added to the mix.

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The Old Toll Bridge

The first bridge in this area over a stream of any size was the covered Agawam Bridge. The second was built over the Chicopee River in 1782. Morley's toll bridge over the Agawam was authorized February 10, 1803.

In the same month, a company was incorporated as proprietors of a bridge over the Connecticut between Springfield and West Springfield. John Hooker, George Bliss, Joseph Williams, Samuel Fowler, Jonathan Dwight, Thomas Dwight, Justin Ely and associates were to build the bridge and charge tolls fixed by law as follows: foot passengers, 3 cents; horse and rider, 7 cents; horse and sleigh, 10 cents; horse and chaise, chair or sulky, 16 cents; chariot, phaeton or other four-wheeled carriages for passengers, 33 cents; curricule, 25 cents; neat cattle, 3 cents; sheep or swine, 1 cent.

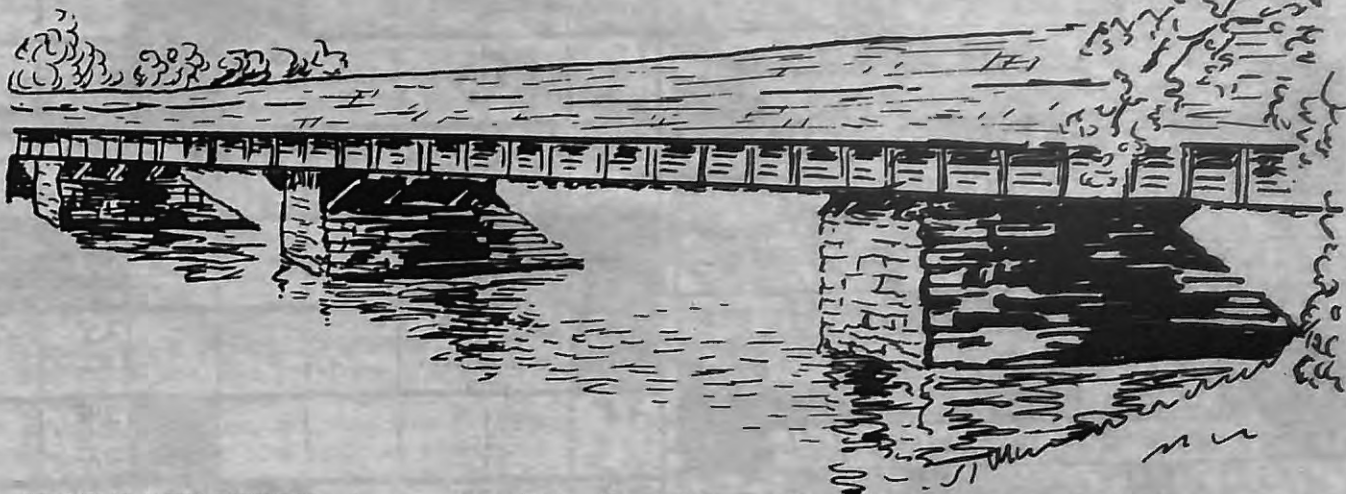
This was the only crossing for Agawam people on their way to Springfield.

The bridge was 1,234 feet long, with six arches, supported by two abutments and five piers. Above it were built two guard piers to serve as ice-breakers. No reliable description of its appearance can be found but it is said to have been painted red and may have been an open bridge. A famous structure in its time.

It was opened to traffic on October 30, 1805, the ceremony including a procession, the firing of guns, and a sermon by Rev. Joseph Lathrop.

Collapsed in 1814

It lasted nine years and, on July 19, 1814, it col-



WAY BACK WHEN, Agawam and Feeding Hills residents had to cross this bridge en route to and from Springfield.

lapsed and fell into the river. Local residents claimed it had been weakened by the traffic of heavy army wagons in 1812. However, the Hartford Bridge, built in 1810, met the same fate and the cause was said to be that it was built of green timber and rotted out.

In January, 1815, the General Court passed an act authorizing the company to raise a fund of \$20,000 by lottery and on October 1, 1816 a new bridge was completed on the site of the first one and evidently using the old piers and abutments. Total cost about \$22,000.

In 1818, this second bridge was carried away by high water, only the abutments and two piers on the west side surviving.

The third bridge was completed in 1820 and remained in use for over 100 years. It was repaired many times and about 1878, a sidewalk was built on the south side. It was taken down in 1923 when Memorial Bridge was built just below it.

GARDENING TIPS - from Page 29...

New, specially-constructed equipment, like the Flowtron Compost Bins (models CB-40 or CB-50) makes it easier than ever for home gardeners to layer and "cook" their own compost, and prevents unsightly (and sometimes unsanitary) backyard piles.

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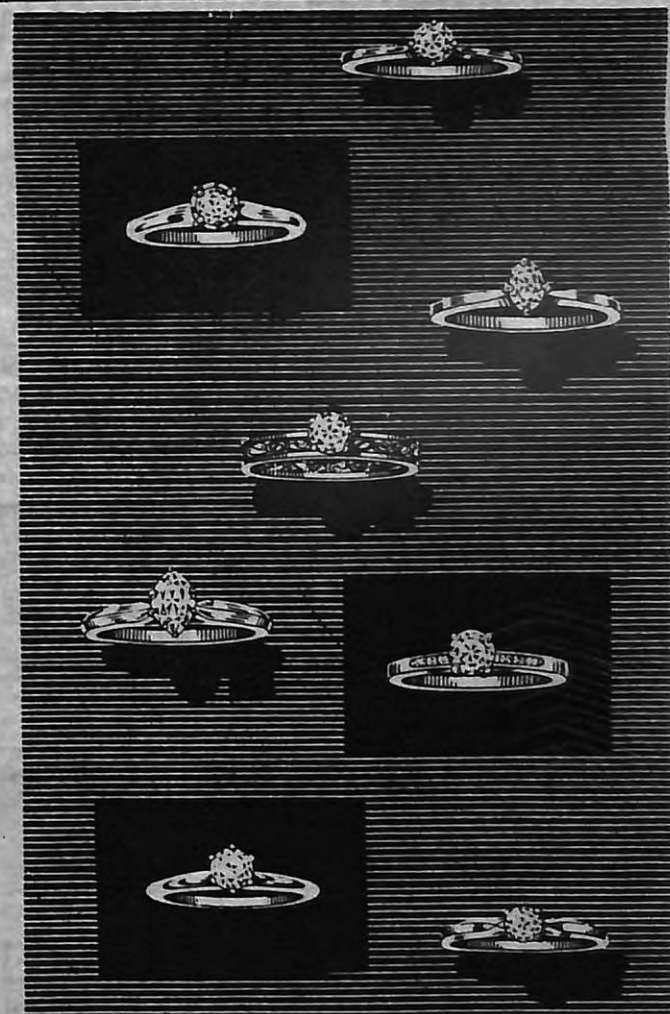
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Education

Agawam Students Receive Honors At STCC Ceremony

Springfield Technical Community College President Andrew M. Scibelli announced that several area residents were recognized at the College's annual Honors Convocation ceremony on May 27th.

The event was held to recognize outstanding students who were recipients of awards and scholarships. Most of these students participated in STCC's 25th commencement exercises held May 28th at the Springfield Civic Center.

Local residents honored at the ceremony were **Ralph J. Martin, Dale C. Pappas, Suzanne D. Scully, Ingeborg Walsen and Kathleen Burns.**

Martin, a member of the Alpha Nu Omega Honor Society, received the Outstanding Achievement Award of the Computer Information Systems department, presented in recognition of academic achievement and personal growth in Computer Information Systems/Data Processing.

Martin also received the Cooperative Education Student of the Year Award. This award is presented by the Cooperative Education/Career Placement office to the student who demonstrates a very high level of positive performance, accomplishment of Cooperative Education goals, and reciprocal contributions to the STCC community.

Dale Pappas received the Gordon Smith Academic Achievement Award of the Radiography department, presented to a member of the graduating class in honor of the first chairperson of this department, and in recognition of significant academic and professional growth in the field of radiography.

Suzanne Scully received a Board of Regents Scholarship, presented to students at each of the Massachusetts public institutions of higher learning. STCC designates 10 students continuing their education at STCC, chosen on the basis of academic achievement as well as campus and community involvement. Scully is majoring in Graphic Arts Technology.

Ingeborg Walsen of Feeding Hills, a member of the Alpha Nu Omega Honor Society, received the Outstanding Achievement award of the Nuclear Medicine Technology department, presented to a member of the graduating class in recognition of significant academic and professional growth in the field of nuclear medicine technology.

Kathleen M. Burns of Feeding Hills received the Clinical Proficiency Award of the Dental Assisting department, presented to the student who demonstrates excellence in the clinical aspects of chairside dental assisting.

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The Kid's Place	8:08 A.M.
19 Hastings Street	8:09 A.M.
316 North Street	8:10 A.M.
North & James Street	8:10 A.M.
North & Oak Lane	8:10 A.M.
North & Harding	8:13 A.M.
Al's Bicycle Corner	8:15 A.M.
Bridge & Cooley	8:17 A.M.
98 Walnut Street	8:20 A.M.
82 Walnut Street	8:20 A.M.
S.I.S. Bank	8:20 A.M.
107 Suffield Street	8:25 A.M.
140 Main Street	8:25 A.M.
418 Meadow Street	8:30 A.M.
River Road & Alhambra Circle	8:35 A.M.
River Road & Glendale	8:39 A.M.
River Road & Lawnwood	8:39 A.M.
River Road & Dartmouth	8:39 A.M.
River Road & Riviera	8:40 A.M.
1317 Suffield Street	8:43 A.M.
37 Hunting Lane	8:45 A.M.
84 Adams Street	8:45 A.M.
Main & Adams Street	8:47 A.M.
366 Main Street	8:48 A.M.
Edward & Corey	8:50 A.M.
Beekman Estates	8:53 A.M.

Sandcastle Day Care 8:54 A.M.
Federal Hill Club 8:55 A.M.
At camp dismissal, the route will be run in reverse.

The **GREEN LINE** will make the following stops at the approximate times listed:

59 DePalma Street	8:00 A.M.
South Westfield & Hendon Drive	8:02 A.M.
435 Pine Street	8:04 A.M.
472 Pine Street	8:05 A.M.
Barry & Christopher Lane	8:08 A.M.
572 Barry Street	8:09 A.M.
South West & Denise Lane	8:10 A.M.
35 Barbara Lane	8:12 A.M.
Barbara Lane & Joanne Circle	8:13 A.M.
South West & Kathy Terrace	8:15 A.M.
South West & White Fox Terrace	8:15 A.M.
585 South West	8:16 A.M.
188 South West	8:16 A.M.
South West & Pheasant Hill	8:18 A.M.
Southwick & Hope Farms	8:20 A.M.
Southwick & Sunset Terrace	8:20 A.M.
North Westfield & Blacksmith	8:25 A.M.
Cambridge & Fordham Avenue	8:26 A.M.
North St. Ext. & Belmont Avenue	8:30 A.M.
Kosciukso Drive	8:31 A.M.
747 North West	8:35 A.M.
662 North West	8:35 A.M.
Orlolo & Robin Ridge	8:37 A.M.
Strawberry & Forest Hill	8:40 A.M.
187 Clover Hill	8:40 A.M.
104 Garden	8:45 A.M.
Silver & Franklin St. Ext.	8:48 A.M.
161 Elm	8:55 A.M.

At camp dismissal, the route will be run in reverse.

AHS Student Report Cards Mailed Home

Student's report cards at the high school are being mailed home. Counselors have attempted to reach as many students as possible who were in need of making up courses in summer school. For those students who have not been contacted, a letter will be sent home to parents informing them of their child's academic situation. Since the guidance staff does not work during the summer, it becomes the responsibility of parents and/or students to enroll in a summer school.

It is advisable for those 10th and 11th graders who fail English 10, 11, U.S. History, or a Math to register for summer school. In the case of ninth graders, if a student fails English 9, Science, Math and/or History, they should also register for summer school. Our school policy does not permit a student to take two English courses in the same school year. A failing grade in English cannot be

made up in day school. Also, students know that they must accumulate

80 credits (upperclassmen) 105 credits (Freshman only) to graduate. If they are lacking a significant number of credits, they should attend summer school for make-up. Only those subjects that have been failed can be made up in summer school.

At the bottom of the report card is a list of the total number of credits earned to date. At the end of the junior year, most students should have accumulated at least 50 credits or more. If this number is less than 50, a student should inquire about summer school. Most Freshmen and sophomores will have accumulated at least 27 credits. Again, if that total is less than 27, inquiries should be made about summer school.

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So make sure you guard it wisely,
after all is said and done,
You'll be glad the name is spotless
when you give it to your son!*

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Class Of 1992

A Special Feature Of
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June 7th, 1992



Congratulations AHS

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NOTE:

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MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM SCHOOL COMMITTEE on stage at Springfield Symphony Hall on June 7th. From left - Susan Pettazzoni, Louis Massoia, Roberta Doering, Louise R.C. David, Linda Galarneau, Teresa Kozloski, and Mayor Christopher C. Johnson.

Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



Graduation 1992 - continued...



SHEILA MARTIN, the number one student in the AHS Class of 1992, gives the valedictory address at Springfield Symphony Hall. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



CLASS SALUTATORIAN Kimberly Macey encourages her classmates to look forward to the future. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



CLASS PRESIDENT Benjamin Ferris reminded his classmates there would be hurdles to overcome in the future. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

Class Of 1992 Reminded That Goals Can Be Reached In Years To Come

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Donned in mortarboards with dangling tassels and sashes overlaying many gowns, 269 proud graduates marched behind junior marshals Laura Bielitz and Thomas Briggs to the processional played by the Concert Band for the onset of Agawam High School's Commencement Exercises on Sunday, June 7th.

Filling row after front row before the stage of invited guests, the Class of 1992 generated enthusiasm and vitality into the elegantly aged Springfield Symphony Hall, while the traditional Pomp and Circumstance created a more serious atmosphere.

This was Superintendent James Bruno's last address to a senior class after an 11-year tenure (he is retiring this fall). He has been employed with the Agawam schools as a teacher, assistant superintendent, and superintendent for the past 21 years.

Bruno said he will miss handing out diplomas but is eagerly looking to move forward. He told students they, too, must have goals and ambitions.

Senior Kimberly Macey also encouraged her peers to look forward to the future in her Salutatory Address. She told classmates that high school memories will blend with memories created in their adult life, "but will not be forgotten."

Kimberly graduated with the honor of ranking second in the Class of 1992, and her leadership qualities were evident. She held the position of president of the National Honor Society and the Office of Student Affairs.

She is also one of only four members to graduate with an achievement in the Spanish National Honor Society.

1992 Class President Benjamin Ferris addressed the graduates, telling them that, like basketball player Magic Johnson, there would be hurdles to jump in order to achieve their goals.

The number-one student, Sheila Martin, told fellow classmates to "aim high" in her Valedictory Address. Sheila is the only graduate to achieve French National Honor Society status, and she is a member of the National Honor Society.

Sheila was associate editor of the Sachem Yearbook and was involved on the Prom Committee this year. She was active athletically as well, being on the field hockey team this past fall, and serving as captain of both the girls' basketball

team and the girls' track team.

She received an invitation to the Massachusetts All Academic Basketball Team and has shown outstanding achievement throughout her high school career.

Members of the AHS Combined Chorus sang "It's Time To Go" and "It's So Hard To Say Goodbye To Yesterday" under the direction of music teacher Stephen Files, with piano accompaniment by Michael Rheault, a former AHS graduate.

Principal John Morrissey presented the Class of 1992, and Mayor Christopher Johnson (as chairman of the School Committee) began the awarding of diplomas.

AHS Assistant Principal Gabrielle Charest and David Bates, and School Committee members Teresa Kozloski, Linda Galarneau, Louise David, Roberta Doering, Louis Massola, and Susan Petazzoni, were also on-stage to congratulate the graduates as diplomas were awarded.

Agawam Town Council President Joanne Willis, State Representative Michael Walsh, and *The Agawam Advertiser/News* owner and publisher Richard Sardella were other invited guests that applauded senior Nancy Bazanchuk when she rolled across the stage in her wheelchair as the audience cheered her.

Dr. John Brosnan, director of the Special Education Department, was also happy to announce that two students this year who have completed their education in the Lower Pioneer Valley Collaborative have also earned the privilege of receiving a regular education high school diploma.

Russell St. Pierre and David Ruggeri were presented a small gift and their high school diplomas during a ceremony held in their honor on Thursday, June 11th, at the Agawam Junior High School Special Education Office.

Pamela Jones, liaison to the Collaborative, said, "We are extremely, extremely proud of them. They and their parents have worked very, very hard."

AHS teacher Scott Thomson directed the Concert Band to conclude graduation ceremonies at Symphony Hall with the recessional, *Pomp and Circumstance*.

Diplomas were also received by the school's four American Intercultural Program students: Kris Tuerlinckx of Belgium; Paola Anselmetti, Italy; Jovita Carrasco, Ecuador; and Florence Laly, France.



JUNIOR CLASS MARSHALL Thomas Briggs leads the Class of 1992 into Springfield Symphony Hall on June 7th. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

Congratulations AHS Class Of 1992



Graduation 1992 - continued...

AHS Class of '92 Can Enjoy Mostly Fond Memories

by Irls Copson
School Dept. Editor

The Class of 1992 led an ardent senior year impassioned with the pride of accomplishments and the sorrow of tragedy. Senior Class Advisor, teacher, and football coach Dean Vecchiarelli had only compliments for the grads.

"It was a lot of work, but I really enjoyed it. There were a lot of kids helping out besides the class officers whenever we ran anything," Vecchiarelli said.

He reminisced about the senior-sponsored Championship Game for the Volleyball Tournament. "The kids were so great this year, and a lot of them came. There were fewer seniors this year than in the past few years, but most of them came to our events," he said.

On Friday, May 29th, 221 of the 269 graduates loaded buses for the Class Picnic at High Meadows, again showing the massive support as a class unit.

In both their junior and senior years, the Class of 1992 raised funds by holding class car washes -making \$800 to \$900 to help defray the costs of some of the special activities.

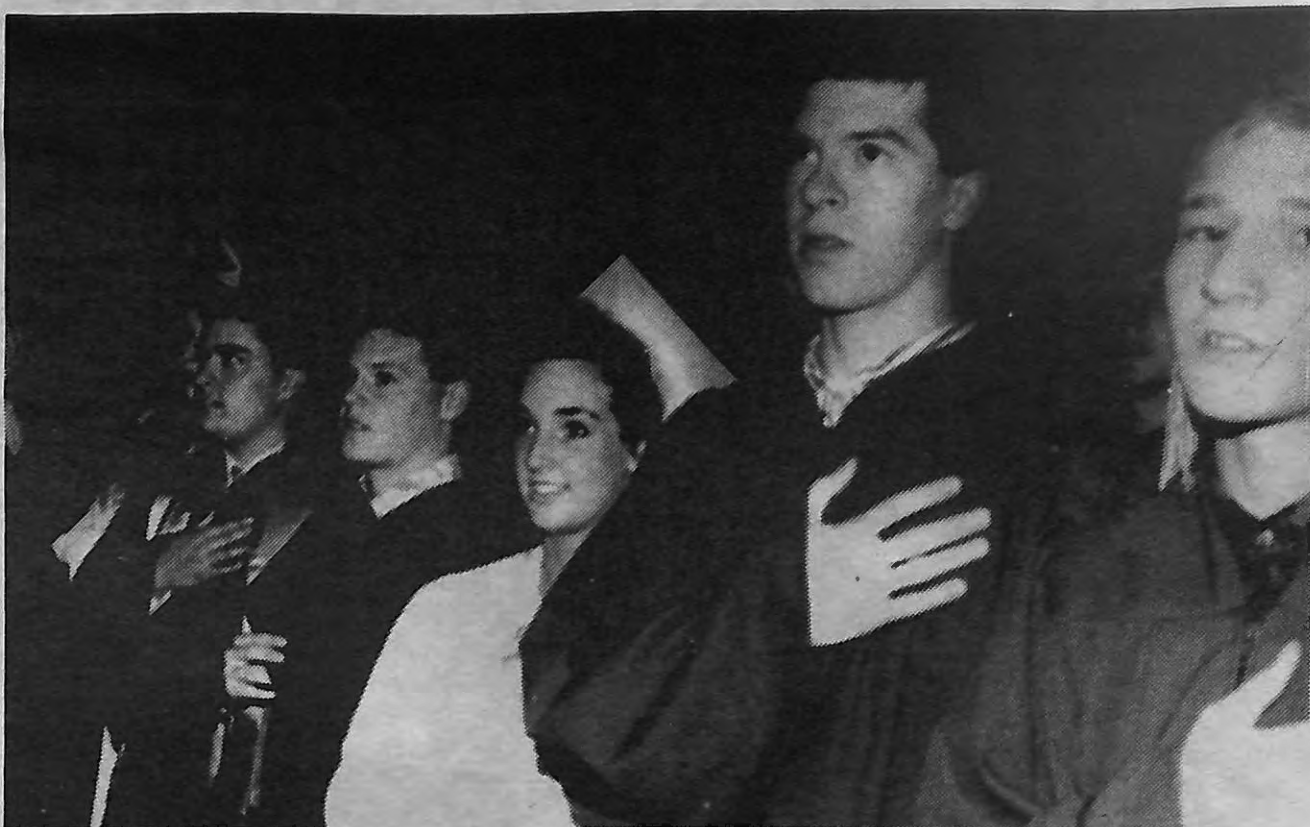
Class dues at AHS are \$40, with \$18 going to the Sachem Yearbook. "The picnic costs \$28 per person, but we only charged \$13 because the rest came from dues," Vecchiarelli said.

Senior class officers Ben Ferris (President), Anthony Magnacca (Vice-President), Amy LaPlante (Treasurer), and Erica Vanderhoof (Secretary), helped their advisor organize the ever-popular Kids Party for seniors in the early fall, and celebrated the year's end at the Senior Class Breakfast held at the Polish American Club again this year.

In between, seniors dressed for the SemiFormal at Shaker Farms in December, and again for the Junior-Senior Prom in April at Chez Josef.

The spring blossomed with sadness as senior Sharon Ziegert's sister Lisa was abducted from a part-time job at a local card shop, and later the news of her death came.

SEE MEMORIES - continued on next page...



AGAWAM HIGH CLASS Of 1992 members salute the flag at the beginning of Commencement Exercises. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



AGAWAM HIGH BAND DIRECTOR SCOTT THOMSON leads the Concert Band in performance during Commencement Exercises at Springfield Symphony Hall. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



KRISTIN ALECHNY receives her diploma from Mayor Christopher C. Johnson at Springfield Symphony Hall. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



MEMBERS OF THE AHS COMBINED CHOIR perform during Commencement Exercises at Springfield Symphony Hall. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



Graduation 1992 - continued...



AMERICAN INTERCULTURAL PROGRAMS (AFS) student Paola Anselmetti from Italy receives her diploma from Richard Sardella, president of the Agawam AFS Chapter. Looking on is Mayor Christopher C. Johnson. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



AMERICAN INTERCULTURAL PROGRAMS (AFS) student Kris Tuerlinckx from Belgium is congratulated by School Committee members Roberta Doering (left) and Louis Massola at Commencement Exercises on June 7th. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

MEMORIES RECALLED - continued...

Lisa was a teacher at the Agawam Middle School, and the Agawam Education Association organized a scholarship this year known as the "Lisa Ziegert Memorial." Sharon's classmates and friends—as well as the entire school and Agawam community—will long remember with sympathy this tragic event.

Agawam senior Tony Spangenberg helped to instill a memory as well with a student movement to reinstate a grade weighting system at Agawam High School.

Through compromise and communication of students led by Tony, guidance counselors, teachers, and administrators, a reinstatement of partial weighting was gained. This was an accomplishment for which students could proudly hold up their heads and credit themselves with advancement toward educational goals.

**Congratulations AHS Class Of 1992
Good Luck In The Future!!!**



IN TOP PHOTO, senior Joshua Kimball walks to his seat at Springfield Symphony Hall; IN PHOTO BELOW, senior Nancy Banzachuk moves across the stage after receiving her diploma. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.





Graduation 1992 - continued...



SENIOR SHARON ZIEGERT receives her diploma from Mayor Christopher C. Johnson (left) as School Committee member Louis Massoia looks on. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



SENIOR AMY PARADYSZ receives her diploma during Commencement Exercises from Mayor Christopher C. Johnson. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

“Freedom 92” AHS Yearbook Theme; “Freedom Of Press At Its Best!”

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Winning the war in the Persian Gulf set the “Freedom 92” theme for the Agawam High School’s Class of 1992 yearbook. The Sachem staff “collaborated to put out the best yearbook ever; the freedom of the press at its best!”

AHS math teacher and Sachem advisor David Pulaski remarked, “We had the cover all done in the fall (of 91) with a mortarboard put on the ‘Spirit of MA’ postcard. Then we won the war over in the desert and decided, instead, to go with the flag.”

The staff wove together a menagerie of predominantly red, white, and blue snapshots spanning the entire front and back cover to create the overall impression of the flag when viewed from a short distance.

The embossed 1992 emblem on the first page was used—along with all the seniors’ names—to create t-shirts for sale by the National Honor Society for seniors this year, too.

The “spirited seniors” colored section of the yearbook still included the personalized captions below individual photographs, but added a new twist this year.

“The class superlatives (Ballot Box selections) were interlaced in the colored senior section this year,” said Pulaski.

He added, “There was a lot more copy, and this staff was heavy on the artwork.”

The Sachem staff consisted of 28 seniors this year. Pulaski said the form to apply for the yearbook staff is “similar to applying to college.”

He noted, “The applicant needs two signatures from teachers, their grades, and must write a paragraph on why they would be a good addition to the staff.”

He said, “The Editor-in-Chief must submit to a personal interview, and when selected is given the option to design the cover and first 16 pages of the yearbook.”

This year’s Editor-in-Chief, Lana Quintal, filled two pages with her comments and candids to thank her dedicated staff.

Her parting words to the 1993 yearbook staff were, “Everyone contributes to something your class can appreciate and keep forever. It’s an honor to be on the yearbook staff—not a right. It will be the ‘toughest job you’ll ever love!’”

Lana’s Associate Editors, Leslie Gorman and Sheila Martin, worked with Pulaski’s secretary Michelle Auger, keeping “late hours deciding what was ‘hot’ and what was ‘not.’”

Layout Editor Shannon Scarlett and layout Staff members Andrea Michael, Christie Scheve, and Jenn Winter “painstakingly designed each page, and were the backbone of the overall appearance” of the yearbook.

Literary Editor Krysten Godfrey and Literary Staff members Amy Paradysz, Amy Prochaska, and Heather Wynne “used their imaginations to create all yearbook copy.”

The Business Staff of Mark Litchfield, Kim Nacewicz, and Jenn Pisano kept count of the incoming flow of cash, collected all yearbook payments, and helped make the annual assembly a success, according to Pulaski.

He proudly relayed that the cost of the yearbook was able to remain at the same \$18 price once again this year.

Photography Editor Sharon Ziegert worked with her staff of Erin Bradley, Michele Daignault, Jill Robb, and Erica Vanderhoof to put together an

overwhelming display of candids and on-the-scene visual memories.

The Advertising Staff of Ad Editor Kristen Alechny—Kelly Cook, Sarah Hufland, Jodi Polep, Amy Marcotte, and Kristina Galarneau—helped to keep the yearbook price low by soliciting business and patron ads for the Sachem publication.

And, Agawam High School’s memories would not be complete without the inclusion of the “Sports Staff Duo” of Ben Ferris and Kate McCarthy, who compiled all the statistics for the various teams.

The sports section of Sachem spans 25 of the 224-page book. Football, field hockey, boys’ and girls’ soccer, gymnastics, wrestling, boys’ and girls’ basketball, hockey, boys’ and girls’ swimming, skiing, golf, baseball, softball, boys’ and girls’ track and tennis, and cheerleading are each depicted in photos and accompanied by a brief explanation of the competition standings.

The seniors’ Last Will and Testament, and their Directory, precede sections of the “Frolicking Freshmen, Spunky Sophomores, and Jealous Juniors (or senior wanna-bes).”

What follows next are the “Fabulous Faculty,” and 14 pages of performing arts and music lead into a recap of clubs, extra special events, and activities.

The introduction of “Freedom” captures the learning experience of 92 graduates beyond “history, math, and English.”

The authors write, “As we emerged from the doors of AHS, we realized that there was a whole world outside waiting for us; the world in which we could truly express ourselves in freedom...”

The staff of the Agawam Advertiser/News congratulates all of the graduates of the Class of 1992. Have a great summer (you’ve earned it!), and best wishes for a bright future!

Thanks For A Great Year! From The AHS '92 SACHEM Yearbook Staff...

We would like to thank the following businesses and patrons for their support during this year's advertising drive and their continued patronage of the Agawam High School Yearbook. We work very hard to make the SACHEM a success, and your acceptance and support is deeply gratifying. A heartfelt thanks and best wishes for a prosperous summer...

*Lana Quintal, Editor
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Diplomas, Diplomas, & More Diplomas

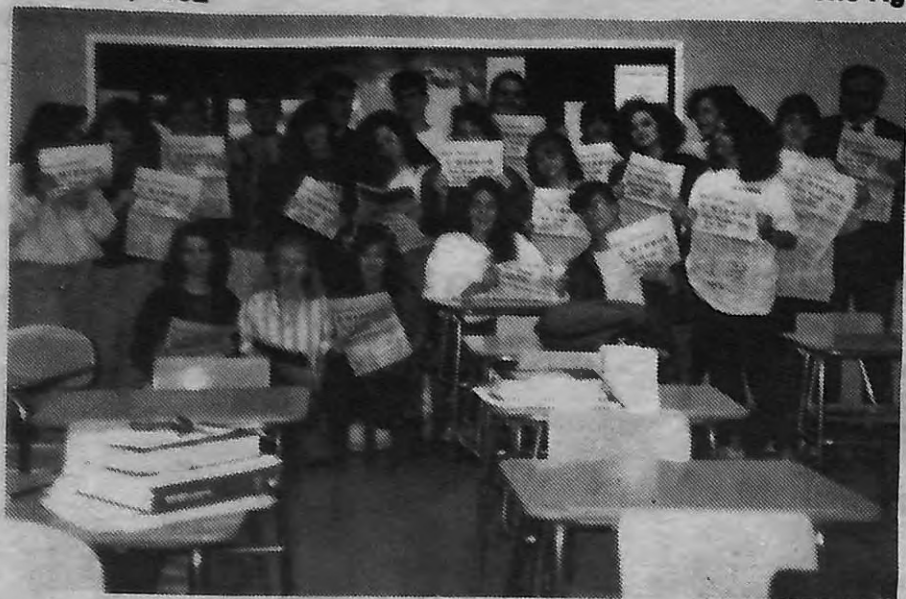


AT AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES at Springfield Symphony Hall on Sunday, June 7th, Mayor Christopher C. Johnson (center in both pictures) presents diplomas to Tammy Washburn (left) and Anthony Angelini (right). Symphony Hall was jammed with family, friends, and well-wishers for the annual event. Advertiser News photos by R.T. McMullen.

Bancroft Bridals Congratulates Agawam High School Class Of '92



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AHS Yearbook Director



Graduation 1992 - continued...

Scholarships & Awards For AHS '92

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL BOOSTER SCHOLARSHIPS

Gregory Benoit, Michael Briggs, David Campbell, Thomas Cordis, Derrick Gregor, Daniel LaBreck, David McKay, Steven Moccio, Robert Peloquin, Jeffrey Perreault.

AGAWAM BOYS' BASKETBALL PARENTS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Michael Briggs, David DeSimone, Benjamin Ferris, Derrick Gregor, Daniel LaBreck, Steven Moccio.

AGAWAM GIRLS' BASKETBALL BOOSTER SCHOLARSHIPS

Amy Marcotte, Sheila Martin.

AGAWAM GRIDIRON MOTHERS SCHOLARSHIPS

Michael Briggs, David Campbell, Kevin Fleury, Derrick Gregor, Krystal Harrington, Stuart McGregor, David McKay, Steven Moccio, Christopher Roy, Anthony Santore.

AGAWAM HOCKEY PARENTS SCHOLARSHIPS

Ben Benton, Scott Bracci, Kevin Chrsanthopoulos, Kevin Fleury, Troy Jones, Robert Peloquin, Jeffrey Perreault, Michael Poggi, Sean Wandrei, Craig Waryasz.

LEONARD DESROSIER'S MEMORIAL HOCKEY SCHOLARSHIP

Scott Bracci.

AGAWAM GIRLS' FIELD HOCKEY BOOSTER CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

Nancy Bazanchuk, Krysten Godfrey, Jennifer LaPierre, Amy Marcotte, Sheila Martin, Milissa Parentela, Sherry Tetreault, Erica Vanderhoof.

AGAWAM SOCCER ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Silvana Manes, Christopher McElligott, Kimmel Nacewicz, Michael Poggi.

AGAWAM SOCCER ASSOCIATION RICHARD PAROLO SCHOLARSHIP

Amy LaPlante.

AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER PARENTS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Erin Brown, Jennifer Christopher, Benjamin Ferris, Catherine Hill, Daniel LaBreck, Amy LaPlante, Jennifer Lomelino, Anthony Magnacca, Silvana Manes, Christopher McElligott, Sarah McNab, Kimmel Nacewicz, Michael Poggi, Timothy Rapa, Adam Schmaelzle, Craig Waryasz.

AGAWAM GIRLS' SOFTBALL BOOSTER SCHOLARSHIP

Nancy Bazanchuk.

AGAWAM WRESTLING BOOSTER CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

Michael Bryant, Michael Cooper, George Ghareeb, Joseph Loudfoot, Stuart McGregor, David McKay, Matthew Papadakis, Anthony Tassinari, Nathan Wood.

AGAWAM ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Mark Deveno, Krysten Godfrey, Christopher McElligott, Steven Moccio, Aaron Orsucci.

AGAWAM ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Nancy Bazanchuk, Benjamin Ferris, Daniel LaBreck.

AGAWAM ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION PHYLLIS M. MASON SCHOLARSHIP

Erica Vanderhoof.

AGAWAM ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION NICHOLAS LASKY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Michael Briggs.

AGAWAM ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION GERALD MASON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Sheila Martin.

AGAWAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - PROJECT LIFEWORK SCHOLARSHIPS

Kimberly Macey, Jennifer Winter.

AGAWAM EDUCATION ASSOCIATION - 21 WEEK CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

Richard Carra.

AGAWAM EDUCATION ASSOCIATION DAVID THEODOROWICZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Christopher Dudek.

AGAWAM EDUCATION ASSOCIATION - LISA ZIEGERT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Dylan Sousa.

AGAWAM BAND PARENTS/LISA ZIEGERT BAND SCHOLARSHIPS

Amyanne Tyrell, Sharon Ziegert.

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Agawam Athletic Association Awards



WINNER OF THE AGAWAM ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION'S "Nicholas Lasky Memorial Scholarship" is Michael Briggs. Scholarship Committee member Diane Scaggs presented the award. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



WINNER OF THE AGAWAM ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION'S "Gerald J. Mason Memorial Award" is Sheila Martin. AAA President Robert Hersey made the presentation. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



WINNER OF THE AGAWAM ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION'S "Phyllis Mason Scholarship" is Erica Vanderhoof. AAA President Robert Hersey made the presentation. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



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SCHOLARSHIPS - continued...

AGAWAM MIDDLE SCHOOL P.T.O. SCHOLARSHIPS

Scott Bracci, Lisa Dialessi, Cynthia Jabry, Kimberly Macey, Andrew Turcotte.

JAMES CLARK SCHOOL P.T.O. SCHOLARSHIPS

Krysten Godfrey, Andrew Turcotte.

CLIFFORD M. GRANGER P.T.O. SCHOLARSHIPS

Lisa Dialessi, Michael Parent.

BENJAMIN J. PHELPS P.T.O. SCHOLARSHIPS

Scott Bracci, Kimmel Nacewicz.

FAOLIN M. PEIRCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Richard Carra, Tara Delsky, Anthony Kubik, Sheila Martin, Sarah McNab, Wisam Yacteen.

AGAWAM FOOD MART - RAYMOND H. MCCARROLL SCHOLARSHIPS

Christa Corbett, Christopher Roy.

AGAWAM MUNICIPAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Christopher Dudek, Kimberly Macey, Amy Marcotte, Sheila Martin.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIPS IN HONOR OF FRANK MAZZA

Nancy Bazanchuk, Michael Cooper.

AGAWAM DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE SCHOLARSHIPS

Sheila Martin, Steven Moccio.

FUTURE TEACHERS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP (GIVEN TO A WORTHY SENIOR WHO PLANS A TEACHING CAREER)

Karen Dean.

AGAWAM GARDEN CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

Justin Baker.

AGAWAM GOLDEN AGE CLUB CHAPTER II MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Cynthia Jabry, Mark Litchfield.

ROTARY CLUB OF AGAWAM

RAY MCCARROLL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Christopher Dudek, Sheila Martin.

AGAWAM CHAPTER OF UNICO SCHOLARSHIPS

Michelle Auger, Jennifer Christopher, Christopher Dudek, Silvana Manes, Steven Moccio, Andrew Turcotte.

AMERICAN LEGION - WILSON THOMPSON POST 185 SCHOLARSHIP

Lana Quintal.

AMERICAN LEGION WOMEN'S AUXILIARY NO. 185 - GLADYS CATCHEPAUGH SCHOLARSHIP

Anthony Spangenberg.

JAMES H. LOOMIS, JR. SCHOLARSHIP

Kevin Fleury.

DOROTHEA AND FREDERICK NARDI SCHOLARSHIP

Kyle Nardi.

PARK WEST BANK & TRUST CO. SCHOLARSHIP

Shelley Grassetti.

JANE O'MALLEY SCHOLARSHIPS

Amy Prochaska, Sharon Ziegert.

BARBARA SKOLNICK SCHOLARSHIPS

Sheila Martin, Steven Moccio.

COMMUNITY GRANGE NO. 382 SCHOLARSHIPS

Justin Baker, Andrew Bresseem, Jennifer Christopher.

EXPOSITION AREA ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Teriann Polumbo.

THOMAS GAMELLI MEMORIAL AWARD PRESENTED BY THE EXPOSITION AREA ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Brett Gearing.

FEEDING HILLS WOMEN'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

Kimberly Macey, Dylan Sousa.

POLISH AMERICAN CLUB OF AGAWAM, INC. SCHOLARSHIPS

Anthony Kubik, Amy LaPlante, Amy Paradysz, Sean Sullivan.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY OF THE POLISH AMERICAN CLUB, INC. SCHOLARSHIPS

Christopher Dudek, Cynthia Jabry, Scott Korvek, Kimmel Nacewicz.

VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH PERFORMING ARTS SCHOLARSHIP - DR. W. ROBERT MURRAY

Lana Quintal.

AGAWAM JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

Lisa Dialessi, Christopher Dudek, Kristina Galarneau, Cynthia Jabry, Scott Korvek, Anthony Kubik, Kimberly Macey, Silvana Manes, Amy Marcotte, Christopher McElligott, Milissa Parentela.

ROBERT C. BYRD HONORS SCHOLARSHIP

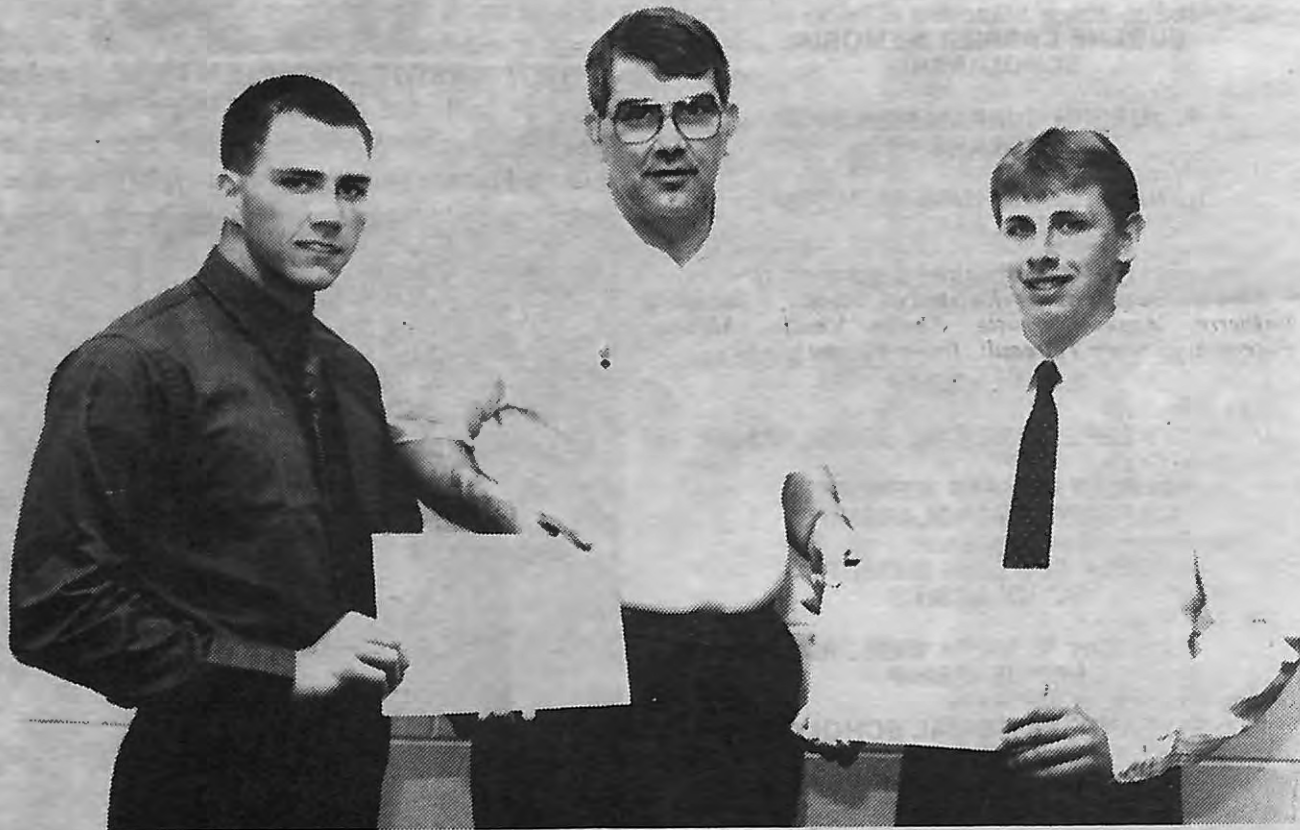
Amy Prochaska.

SILVIO O. CONTE SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTED BY THE SILVIO O. CONTE EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Sheila Martin.



GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS of the Agawam Athletic Association included, from left - Mark Deveno, Chris McElligott, Krysten Godfrey, Steve Moccio, and Aaron Orsucci. Presenting the scholarship is committee member Diane Scaggs. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



WINNERS OF THE AGAWAM ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS included Benjamin Ferris and Daniel LaBreck (right). AAA Vice-President Michael Martin made the presentations. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.



WINNERS OF THE AGAWAM LIONESS CLUB Scholarships for 1992 included Silvana Manes (left) and Kristina Galarneau. Making the presentations is Lioness President Marsha Finck. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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SCHOLARSHIPS - from previous page...

JOHN AND EILEEN FAHEY SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTED BY THE HAMPDEN COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

Wendy O'Dea.

AGAWAM LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

Steve Moccio, Amy Prochaska, Andrew Turcotte,
Heather Wynne.

AGAWAM LIONS CLUB

FREDERICK T. DACEY SCHOLARSHIP

Anthony Spangenberg.

AGAWAM LIONS CLUB

HELEN HARDINA NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Silvana Manes.

AGAWAM-FEEDING HILLS LIONESS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

Wayne Ball.

AGAWAM LIONESS CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

Kristina Galarneau, Silvana Manes.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB OF AGAWAM SCHOLARSHIPS

Wayne Ball, Jennifer Christopher, Anne Mineo, Hol-
ly Vassallo.

AGAWAM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

NICK ZUCCO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Andrew Bressem, Benjamin Walsh, Tammy
Washburn.

ANDERSON-MORIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Steven Moccio, Andrew Turcotte.

MINNIE BARDEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Justin Baker, Karen Schneider.

EUGENE CARRIER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Sharon Ziegert.

P. JOSEPH CURRAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Sharon Ziegert.

DIANA WILLARD HALL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Shannon Scarlett.

CHRISTOPHER KINSELLA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Daniel LaBreck.

JOHN M. LAZAZZERA HOCKEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Sean Wendrei.

MARY O'KEEFE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Kathleen Gravel.

SHIRLEY PEIFFER MEMORIAL CAFETERIA SCHOLARSHIPS

Serena Barber, Andrea Michael.

ANGELA SCHERPA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Heather Wynne.

HARMON A. SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Erica Vanderhoof.

JILL STEFANIK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Lisa Munro.

TIMOTHY SUNSTROM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Christopher McElligott, Kimmel Nacewicz.

VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP - REVEREND FRANK E. DUNN

Heather Wynne.

THEODOROS (LAKI) PANANAS SCHOLARSHIP

Jennifer Winter.

AWARDS

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT AWARDS

Scott Korvek, Sheila Martin.

MATH CLUB AWARDS

Richard Carra, Christopher Dudek, Kathryn Fitz-
patrick, Silvana Manes, Amy Prochaska, Sean Sullivan.

MATH TEAM AWARDS

Christopher Dudek, Amy Prochaska, Sean Sullivan.

AGAWAM HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION AWARD IN MEMORY OF ANNE SULLIVAN

Dylan Sousa.

EXCELLENCE IN ENGLISH AWARDS

Amy Paradysz, Shannon Scarlett.

MILDRED REED ENGLISH AWARD

Cynthia Jabry.

BUSINESS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

ACCOUNTING II CERTIFICATE AND PIN

Christopher Roy, Sean Wendrei.

ACCOUNTING I CERTIFICATE

Jason Bobrowski, Michael Fay, Amy LaPlante, Quan
Ly, Christopher McElligott, Milissa Parentela, Lisa
Uneegeer.

KEYBOARDING III CERTIFICATE AND PIN

Joy Gaudreau.

KEYBOARDING I CERTIFICATE

Michael Tarka.

STENOGRAPHY III

Tara Guertin.

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Junior Women's Club Scholarships



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS of the Agawam Junior Women's Club members past and present included Agawam High seniors Lisa Dialessi (left), Chris McElligott, and Scott Korvek. Junior Women's Club members in photo are Rosalie Dialessi (president-left) and Eileen Hamre (past president-right). Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.



AGAWAM JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB Scholarship winners included, from left - Lisa Dialessi, Kimberly Macey, Chris Dudek, Amy Marcotte, Kristina Galarneau, Cynthia Jabry, Scott Korvek, and Anthony Kubik. Junior Women's Club members in photo are Eileen Hamre (left, past president) and Rosalie Dialessi (right, president). Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.

Michael N. Duquette Awarded \$500 By Home Builders Association Of Springfield

Michael N. Duquette, a senior at Agawam High School, has been awarded a \$500 scholarship by the Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield.

The purpose of the association's vocational scholarship program is to assist future craftsmen and craftswomen by helping to defray the cost of post-high school education.

Michael is one of six outstanding students to be chosen from the Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin counties' vocational/trade schools. He was chosen by the Lower Pioneer Valley Educa-

tional Collaborative on the basis of his academic achievements, extracurricular activities, community service, and personal recommendations.

Michael will attend Springfield Technical Community College to study architecture.

The Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield is a non-profit trade association serving builders and other professionals involved in the construction industry.

The association is affiliated with the 157,000 member National Association of Home Builders.

Congratulations Class Of 1992!!!



Graduation 1992 - continued...

SCHOLARSHIPS - continued...

WORD PROCESSING CERTIFICATES

Christa Corbett, Sherry Cheatham, Shelley Grassetti, Tara Guertin, Amyanne Tyrell, Jennifer Vinesett.

HONOR CORDS AND ACHIEVEMENT PINS ART

Melissa Benerakis.

BUSINESS EDUCATION

Tara Guertin.

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Richard Carra.

ENGLISH

Kimberly Macey.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Dylan Sousa.

HOME ECONOMICS

Terianne Polumbo.

MATHEMATICS

Sheila Martin.

MUSIC

Lana Quintal.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Gregory Benoit.

SCIENCE

Christopher Dudek.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Dylan Sousa.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION

William Philp.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

JOHN PHILIP SOUSA BAND AWARD

Heather Magovern.

LOUIS ARMSTRONG JAZZ AWARD

Bryan Perry.

WOODY HERMAN JAZZ AWARD

Benjamin Walsh.

ARION MEDAL FOR CHORUS

Lana Quintal.

NATIONAL SCHOOL CHORAL AWARD

Julie Milici.

MR. "T" AWARD - IN MEMORY OF

DAVID THEODOROWICZ

Jennifer LeBlanc.

JAMES DONOVAN THEATER AWARDS

Lisa Dialessi, Leslie Gorman, Michael Leary, Lana Quintal.

HOME ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT EXCELLENCE IN CHILD DEVELOPMENT AWARDS

Karen Dean, Jennifer Domaingue, Jennifer LaPierre, Jennifer LeBlanc, Sheila Martin, Andrea Michael, Jessica Provost.

EXCELLENCE IN CLOTHING AWARDS

Kimberly Duga, Yvette Turgeon.

EXCELLENCE IN NUTRITION AWARDS

Jeffrey Boliski, Jessica Provost, Melanie Rivers, David Simmons, Yvette Turgeon.

EXCELLENCE IN MEAL PLANNING AWARDS

Kimberly Duga, Heather Magistri, Melissa Nelson.

QUILL AND SCROLL NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY FOR HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALISTS EDITOR-IN-CHIEF PIN

Sharon Ziegert.

ASSISTANT FEATURE EDITOR PIN

Amy Pardysz.

BUSINESS MANAGER PIN

Heather Wynne.

CREATIVE WRITING AWARD PIN TO THE EDITOR OF THE UNICORN LITERARY MAGAZINE

Amy Paradyz.

ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR PIN

Jillian Ofcarcik.

FEATURE EDITOR PIN

Dylan Sousa.

NEWS EDITOR PIN

Amyanne Tyrell.

SPORTS EDITOR PIN

Michael Parent.

SENIOR OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS PARTICIPATION AWARDS

Mark Deveno, Kathryn Fitzpatrick, Kimberly Macey, Kimmel Nacewicz, Jodi Polep.



AGAWAM GOLDEN AGE CLUB CHAPTER 2 Scholarship winner Mark Litchfield is pictured with his proud parents, John and Lynn Litchfield (who is a faculty member at Agawam High), and grandmother, Barbara Kupec. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussler.



WINNERS OF THE AGAWAM GOLDEN AGE CLUB Chapter 2 scholarships included Mark Litchfield and Cynthia Jabry. Golden Age Club President Louis Scherpa (left) and Ernest Swanson (treasurer) presented the scholarships. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussler.

LOWER PIONEER VALLEY EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIVE AWARDS CERTIFICATES FOR STUDENT OF THE MONTH ALLIED HEALTH

Christine Leary.

AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Jason Pajak.

BUILDING TRADES

Michael Duquette, Celina Martin.

ELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGY

Chad Turnbull, James Camidge, Charles Collins.

FOOD SERVICES

Roberta Guild, Janine Schebel, Tammy Washburn.

LANDSCAPING/HORTICULTURE

Jessica Alvaro.

PLAQUES FOR OUTSTANDING STUDENTS AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Jason Pajak.

BUILDING TRADE

Michael Duquette.

LANDSCAPING/HORTICULTURE

Jessica Alvaro.

PLAQUES FOR MOST IMPROVED BUILDING TRADES

Celina Martin.

ELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGY

Chad Turnbull.

Jeffrey Hebert Grad Of Avon Old Farms

Among the 116 boys who graduated from Avon Old Farms School in Avon, Connecticut, on Sunday, May 24th, 1992, was Jeffrey Hebert of Agawam. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald A. Hebert, Jeffrey will be attending Bentley College in September.

Avon Old Farms School is a four-year college preparatory school for boys.

Cathedral High School Presents Diplomas To Agawam Graduates At Commencement

Cathedral High School, Surrey Road, Springfield recently held commencement exercises. Area students who received diplomas at the graduation are:

Robert Banspach, 66 Christopher Lane; Michael Beltrandi, 41 Debra Lane; Leslie Bennett, 29 Willowbrook Drive; Armando Botta, 33 Alexander

Drive; Susan Christian, 78 Valentine Street; Kelly Conlon, 10 Conifer Drive; Jennifer Cross, 79 Country Road; Michael Flynn, 17 Butterwood Drive; Michael Kiley, 35 Silver Lake Drive; Christopher O'Connor, 1496 Main Street; Elise Sawyer, 418 Meadow Street; Frank Whitehead, 38 Haskell Street.



Graduation 1992 - continued...

Old NHS Out; New Group In At Banquet

by Irls Copson
School Dept. Editor

Twenty-eight Agawam High School juniors were inducted into the National Honor Society during a banquet held on Thursday, June 4th, at the den of their sponsors, the Agawam Lions Club.

NHS advisors Larry O'Brien and Lynn Litchfield were joined at the head table by members of the Selection Committee and NHS senior officers: President Kim Macey, Vice-President Heather Wynne, Secretary Shannon Scarlett, and Treasurer Steve Moccio.

Most NHS senior members were able to join the junior inductees and their families for the celebration.

Litchfield introduced the Selection Committee members and AHS Principal John Morrissey, who appoints the Committee. She said, "Margo Poulin and Joanne Brown (English Department, Art Gage and Richard Joseph (Science Department), and Scott Thomson (Music Department) are the faculty council that must determine if each student invited to apply to NHS meets the qualifications."

O'Brien explained the criteria met by each new inductee included "scholarship, character, leadership, and service." He said that with the reinstitution of a weighted grade system this year, the grade average was raised from 85 (last year) up to 87 this year.

Leaders Of The Senior Class

O'Brien said these students will be called upon to act as leaders of their senior class and would be asked to perform community services as well. This year's NHS worked alongside their sponsors (Agawam Lions) during The Big E, collected for Toys for Tots, and held a drive for the Toy for Joy fund.

Litchfield acknowledged NHS senior members' college acceptances and the amount of scholarships and financial support awarded these '92 graduates.

Heather Wynne received the largest financial package of \$24,000 to attend Trinity College, and Salutatorian Kim Macey received \$16,000 to attend Stonehill College.

Litchfield turned over the floor to faculty council members, who introduced each new inductee by reading a profile that included the student's grade average, school activities, and involvement in community service during their junior year.

Joseph jokingly told junior Brian Brunelle he would have to "study a little more and try a little harder next year" after revealing a cumulative grade average over "104" points!

The 1992 NHS officers then began the induction ceremony by lighting four candles which symbolized the qualities mentioned by O'Brien earlier. Next, Kim Macey led the 28 juniors in a pledge for NHS membership.

New NHS Members

The new 1992-93 NHS members include:

Angela Baggetta, Laura Bielitz, Alan Belniak, Kathy Bodman, Joy-Ann Conte, Brian Brunelle, Karen Bottasso, Charles Copson, Colleen Meagher, Krysten D'Amato, Elizabeth Cornwell, Gina Milillo, Stacey Johnson, and Addie DiMare.

Also, Stephanie Mason, Elizabeth McNamee, Jennifer Jorgensen, Christine Mineo, Gretchen Vogel, Jeffrey Henderson, Sharon Waite, Christina Ferrari, Dana Fuller, Shannon Hogan, Stephen Lewis, Jessica Liptak, Rachael White, and Lubna Yousef.

Agawam Lions Club liaison James Loomis accepted a check from Steve Moccio donated for eye research, but surprised Steve by presenting the NHS members with something in return.

Along with the delicious buffet dinner cooked by the Lions for everyone in attendance that evening, Loomis presented Steve with a plaque to thank NHS members "for what they have done every year (during The Big E)."

He added, "I've never heard one complaint in all my years."

On Tuesday, June 9th, the new NHS members held their first meeting to elect officers. Krysten D'Amato was elected President; Dana Fuller, Vice-President; Stephen Lewis, Secretary; and Stephanie Mason was chosen to serve as Treasurer for 1992-93.



CLASS OF 1993 Agawam High National Honor Society members, from left - Krysten D'Amato, Elizabeth Cornwell, Gina Milillo, Stacey Johnson, Addie DiMare, Stephanie Mason, Elizabeth McNamee, Jennifer Jorgensen, and Christine Mineo. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.



CLASS OF 1993 NHS members at AHS, from left - Gretchen Vogel, Jeffrey Henderson, Sharon Waite, Christina Ferrari, Dana Fuller, Shannon Hogan, Stephen Lewis, Jessica Liptak, Rachael White, and Lubna Yousef. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.



CLASS OF 1993 NHS members at AHS, from left - Angela Baggetta, Laura Bielitz, Kathy Bodman, Joy-Ann Conte, Brian Brunelle, Karen Bottasso, Charles Copson, and Colleen Meagher. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.



Graduation 1992 - continued...



AMY PROCHASKA

Amy Prochaska Named To Top Scout Award

Senior Girl Scout Amy Prochaska, daughter of Debbie Rose of Agawam, has completed the requirements for Girl Scout's top achievement, the Girl Scout Gold Award.

She received the award at a ceremony on Wednesday, June 3rd, at 6:30 p.m., at Baybank Tower in Springfield.

The Girl Scout Award recognizes a Senior Girl Scout's commitment to excellence, as she develops skills and values to meet present and future challenges in her life.

Amy is one of three girls in this area to receive the recognition this year. A member of Pioneer Valley Girl Scout Council, Amy began working toward the Gold Award in 1990. To earn the award, she was required to design and implement a plan of activities including community service, career exploration, and specialized interest projects.

To complete requirements for volunteer community service, Amy planned the fund development and marketing aspects for the Girl Scout renovation of Stearn's Square Park in Springfield. Pioneer Valley Girl Scouts have adopted the park as part of their "Girl Scouts Care for the Earth" 80th Anniversary environmental project.

A senior at Agawam High School, Amy also holds the second highest award in Girl Scouting, the Girl Scout Silver Award. In addition, she has earned the Silver Leadership Award and the Gold Leadership Award.

Special recognition also goes to adult advisors Louise Locario of Longmeadow, Ann Marie Waller of Agawam and Mary Jenewin-Caplan of Springfield who provided assistance in Amy's accomplishments.



AMY MARCOTTE was named the "Outstanding Physics Student" at Agawam High by faculty member Arthur Gage. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.

Amy Marcotte Given AHS Physics Award

Amy Marcotte, a 1992 graduate of Agawam High School, has been selected as the Outstanding Physics Student at AHS.

Arthur Gage, a teacher at AHS, presented her with a certificate from the American Association of Physics Teachers at the school's recently held awards ceremony. Amy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Marcotte of 107 Fox Farms Road, Feeding Hills.

The American Association of Physics Teachers was founded over 60 years ago to encourage excellence in physics teaching and has approximately 10,000 members in the United States and abroad. To recognize outstanding work of physics students, the Association provides a certificate each year to the best physics student in the school.

Four Receive Scholarships From Sacred Heart Church

Four young people from Sacred Heart Church have been awarded a Rose Mercadante Scholarship.

The recipients are Amy Marcotte and Sheila Martin, graduating from Agawam High School, Robert Banspach, graduating from Cathedral High School and Jason Malek, graduating from St. Mary's High School.

These Scholarships are awarded by the Rosary Altar Society of the church, and the members congratulate the winners for their service to their church and the community.

Exposition Scholarships Presented To Locals

The Exposition Area Alumni Scholarship Fund has awarded a record \$16,000 to 39 area students for the 1992-93 academic year. The scholarship awards, given to students with roots in the Exposition Area of West Springfield, are primarily based on academic achievement and need.

"The need for financial assistance has been increasing right along with the costs of a college education, and we're happy to be able to help these deserving students," said Thomas "Tim" Murphy, a founder of the scholarship fund.

Among the students who received memorial scholarship awards administered by the scholarship fund was Brett Gearing, a 1992 graduate of Agawam High School, who received the Thomas Gamelli Memorial Award, which is given to an Agawam student meeting scholarship fund qualifications.

Meanwhile, Teriann Polumbo of Agawam (also of AHS) was among other 1992 high school graduates who received awards from the Exposition Area Fund; in addition, the following students were among the scholarship winners who are

already attending college:

From Feeding Hills:

Monica Davio, Heather Gearing, and William Duncan.

From Agawam:

Nancy Altobelli, Matthew Michnovetz, Aimee Racicot, and Michael Passerini.

The Exposition Area Alumni Scholarship Fund has provided more than \$225,000 in financial assistance to hundreds of college and college-bound students since its inception more than 30 years ago. To be eligible, their parents or grandparents must have been raised in the Exposition Area of West Springfield.

Scholarship funds are raised through annual events sponsored by the scholarship committee and through contributions, which are tax-deductible.

The next scholarship committee event—an annual golf tournament—will be held on Sunday, August 23rd, at Shaker Farms Country Club in Westfield.



Nicholas Balboni Grad Of W.S. High School

Nicholas Balboni, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Balboni of 25 Ohio Avenue, West Springfield, graduated with honors from West Springfield High School on June 7th.

Nick served as president of the National Honor Society and was co-captain of the varsity basketball team. In his junior year, he received the Delaney Sportsmanship Award for Terrier basketball and was named "Athlete of the Week" in the Springfield *Union-News*. He was also selected Boys State Alternate from West Springfield High School.

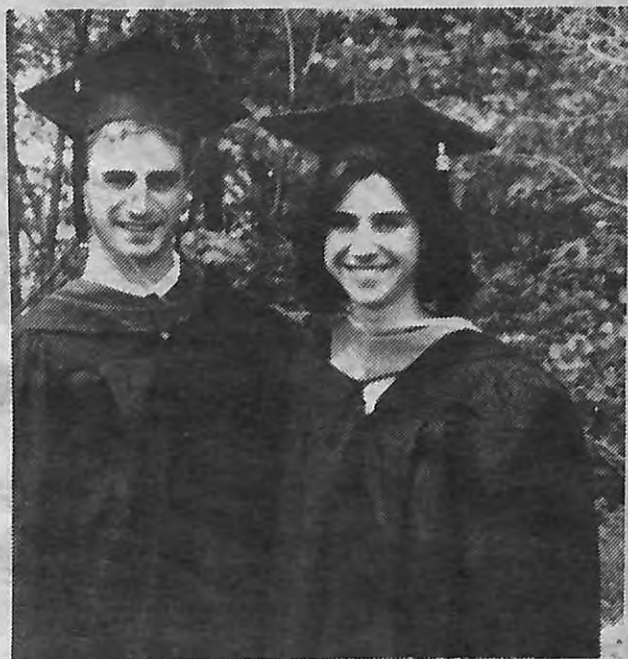
His extra-curricular activities included membership in the school band and participation in various school, church, and community services.

Nick will enter Union College in Schenectady, New York, in September.

He is the grandson of Mrs. Carlo Balboni of Agawam, and the late Mr. Balboni.



Graduation 1992 - continued... College & Universities



HENRY L. and Lena M. Kozloski, the son & daughter of Henry A. & Teresa Kozloski of Agawam, each graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Kozloski Family Celebrates Graduates

On May 15th, at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute graduating ceremonies, Lena M. Kozloski received her Master of Architecture degree, and Henry L. Kozloski received the Bachelor of Science degree with the major in Industrial and Management Engineering.

Lena, a graduate of Boston College, was awarded the Matthew W. Del Gaudio Award for having achieved the highest record of work in building construction and in structural theory and design. She has accepted a position with Architecture Plus in Troy, New York.

Henry has been accepted at Georgia Tech, where he will begin his graduate work in Manufacturing Systems in September.

Their parents are Henry A. and Teresa Kozloski of 102 Meadow Street, Agawam.



KRISTINE M. REMILLARD

Kristine Remillard Grad Of UMass

Kristine M. Remillard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rejean Remillard of Feeding Hills, is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst with a bachelor's degree in communication disorders.

She has been accepted at Smith College in Northampton to a graduate program. Upon completion next spring, she will receive a master's in education of the deaf.

A recipient of both the William F. Field Scholarship Award and the Senior Leadership Award at UMass, Kristine is also a lifetime member of the Golden Key National Honor Society.

She is currently employed at the Willie Ross School For the Deaf in Longmeadow.



KAREN BURROWS

Karen Burrows Grad Of UMass Dartmouth

Over 1,350 students graduated from the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth on May 31st. UMass Dartmouth's 92nd commencement exercises were held at the university's Vietnam Veterans' Peace Memorial Amphitheatre.

Among those graduates were the following local students: Karen Burrows of Agawam, who graduated (with distinction) with a bachelor of arts in English/ Writing & Communications; and Mary Ribeiro of Feeding Hills, who also graduated with a bachelor of arts in English/Writing & Communications.



NORA M. LLOYD

Nora M. Lloyd Grad Of Our Lady Of Elms

On May 24th, Nora Marie Lloyd graduated from Elms College in Chicopee. Nora graduated Cum Laude with a cumulative grade point average of 3.68 out of 4.0. She was named to the Dean's List for four consecutive semesters and was named to *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*.

Nora received her degree with a double major in Elementary Education and Early Childhood Development, and a minor in Psychology. Her student teaching practicum for Elementary Education was done at Mary O. Pottenger School in Springfield, and her Early Childhood practicum was done at the Wolf Swamp School in Longmeadow.

Nora is a 1986 graduate of Agawam High School, and a 1988 graduate of Bay Path College. She is the daughter of Robert and Patricia Lloyd of Feeding Hills.



KEITH MUSINSKI



JENNIFER BRANTLEY

Two Locals Receive Roger Williams Awards

More than 75 scholarships and awards of excellence were presented to students recently at the Roger Williams University Honors Banquet.

Among the students honored were architecture majors Jennifer Brantley of Feeding Hills, and Keith Musinski of Agawam.

The daughter of Charles and Judy Brantley, Ms. Brantley received the Henry Adams Certificate of Honor. Musinski, the son of Carl and Cheryl Musinski, received the Henry Adams Medal.

The University is an independent, coeducational university of liberal arts and selected professional programs located in Bristol, Rhode Island. Accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, it enrolls 3,800 students (2,100 full-time and 1,700 part-time) in 34 majors.

Stephen J. Easton WNEC Graduate

Stephen J. Easton of Agawam, the son of Kathleen and George Easton, Jr. of Feeding Hills, was among the 212 law students who were awarded degrees from Western New England College at the commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 16th, at Springfield Symphony Hall.

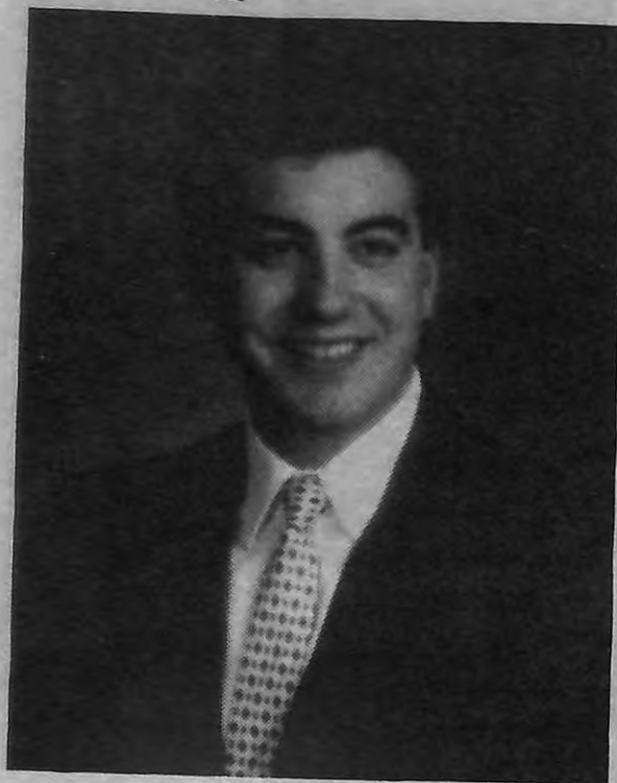
Easton received a Juris Doctor degree from Dr. Beverly W. Miller, president of Western New England College.

The Western New England College School of Law is a private school that serves approximately 800 full-time and part-time law students.

It is located on the 131-acre suburban campus of Western New England College in Springfield.



Graduation 1992 - continued...



JOHN WELCH

John Welch Grad Of M.I.T. In Cambridge

John Welch, son of Barbara and John Welch of Feeding Hills, has graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge with a S.B. in Mathematics with Computer Science.

John is a member of the Theta Delta Chi international fraternity and has served as a national officer as well as various other offices while attending M.I.T.

He is a recipient this year of the Barr Fellowship for Graduate Study. John has been awarded a Teaching/Research Assistantship at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst where he will work towards his Ph.D. in Computer Science.

John graduated in 1988 from Agawam High School.

Locals Graduate From Baystate Medical Ctr.

The following local students were among the 213 women who were granted baccalaureate or associate degrees at Bay Path College in Longmeadow this year. The Commencement Exercises were held on Saturday, May 16th.

Miss Jennifer J. Beaulieu, daughter of Mrs. Betsy H. Beaulieu of Gillette Circle, Springfield (formerly of Agawam), received a Bachelor of Science in Business Degree, Magna cum Laude. A member of the Maroon Key Honor Society, Jennifer was the recipient of the Baccalaureate President's Citation for maintaining dean's list standing throughout her junior and senior years. She previously received an Associate in Science Degree in Travel Administration from Bay Path.

Miss Paula A. Hoffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hoffman of White Birch Terrace, Feeding Hills, received an Associate in Science Degree (Travel Administration Program).

Miss Sarah Ellen White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank White of Paul Revere Drive, Feeding Hills, received an Associate in Arts Degree (Human Services Program), Summa cum Laude. A member of the Maroon Key Honor Society, Sarah received the Salutatory Award for achieving the second highest cumulative grade point average in her class; the President's Citation for maintaining dean's list standing throughout her freshman and sophomore years; a Service Award for leadership in campus organizations; and was named to *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities*.

Bay Path is an independent college for women granting associate and baccalaureate degrees in a two-plus-two degree sequence.



ROMILDA DIPIETRO

Romilda R. DiPietro Receives Master's

Romilda Rita DiPietro received a Master of Education degree with honors from American International College at commencement ceremonies on May 17th.

"Romi," a graduate of Suffield Academy and Westfield State College, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John DiPietro of Agawam.

Lisa A. Connery Grad Of Simmons

Lisa A. Connery, daughter of Thomas and Barbara Connery of Robin Ridge Drive, Feeding Hills, received a bachelor of arts in international relations and Spanish from Simmons College in Boston at commencement exercises held on May 17th, 1992.

While at Simmons, Ms. Connery was a member of the International Relations Liaison, and the Model United Nations. She is a graduate of Agawam High School.

Simmons College is a private, nonsectarian institution for undergraduate women and graduate men and women. The college was chartered in 1899, welcomed its first class in 1902, and since its founding has provided first-quality education for women.

The Simmons philosophy of liberal education enables students to combine the arts, sciences, and humanities with professional preparation in a variety of fields.

Nursing Graduates Part Of 100th Anniversary

Baystate Medical Center recently observed the 100th Anniversary of the School of Nursing during graduation ceremonies, at Symphony Hall in Springfield.

D. Jane Mass R.N., Vice President of Nursing Services, Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami, Florida addressed the 43 graduates, who received diplomas for their successful completion of the three-year program.

Among those graduating were:
From Agawam: Laura McDonald and Heather Pierce.

From Feeding Hills: Keturah Allen, Melissa Blackburn and Jennifer Nowak.



MELISSA A. BLACKBURN

Melissa A. Blackburn Nursing Graduate

Melissa Ann Blackburn graduated from Baystate Medical Center's School of Nursing on May 18th, 1992, at Springfield Symphony Hall. She was part of the graduating centennial class.

She has earned a diploma in nursing and will receive her R.N. after state boards in July. Her specialty is pediatrics, and she plans to work in this field as an R.N. while attending UMass Medical School to become a pediatrician.

This summer, she will be working as a summer camp nurse with disabled children through the West Springfield Park and Recreation Department.



CARRIE ANN VIVENZIO

Carrie A. Vivenzio Honors Graduate

Carrie Ann Vivenzio recently graduated Cum Laude from Bentley College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accountancy.

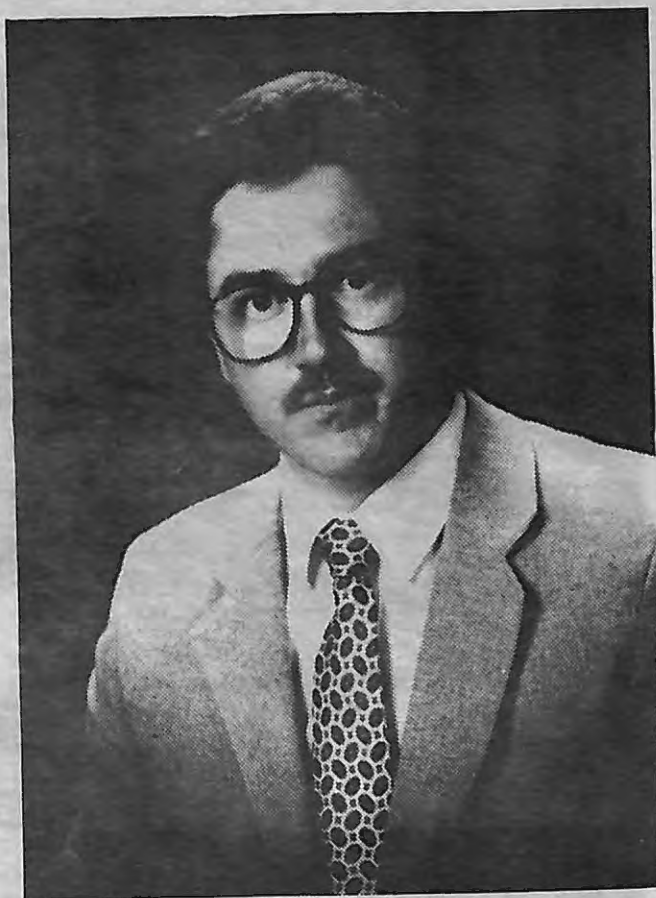
Carrie was elected to membership in Beta Gamma Sigma, the highest scholastic honor that a student in a school of business or management can achieve. She has taken the CPA exam and plans to pursue a career in Public Accounting.

Carrie is the daughter of Francis and Patricia Vivenzio of Feeding Hills.

The Agawam Advertiser/News announces that graduation photos may be picked up at our office, Monday through Friday.



Graduation 1992 - continued...



KEVIN RYAN

Kevin Ryan Receives Two Degrees

Double congratulations go out to Kevin Ryan. Kevin not only received his Associate Degree in Engineering from Springfield Technical Community College, where he graduated with high honors, he also received a Bachelor Degree in Science from the University of Massachusetts.

Kevin is an Agawam High School graduate. He also attended Business Educational Institute.

He is the son of Joseph and Janice Ryan of Feeding Hills, brother of Timothy, stationed in Juneau, Alaska, Bryan of Agawam, and Joanne of Feeding Hills.

He is the grandson of Ethel and Ernie Desmond of Feeding Hills.

Lisa Auchy Grad Of Franklin Pierce

Lisa Auchy, daughter of Robert Auchy of Agawam received a bachelor's degree in Social Work and Counseling, at the 27th Commencement ceremonies at Franklin Pierce College on Sunday, May 17th.

Over 715 degrees were conferred upon day and evening division undergraduates.

United States Ambassador to the United Nations Humane Rights Commission, J. Kenneth Blackwell, delivered the main address and received an honorary Doctor of Laws.

Other honorary degree recipients included Paul Montrone, diversified corporate executive and noted civic leader; Dr. Clifford H. Coles, Dean Emeritus and one of the original leaders of Franklin Pierce College; and Elizabeth Marshall Thomas, internationally renowned author and anthropologist.

Franklin Pierce College is a four-year, private co-educational institution located on a 1,000-acre campus in southwestern New Hampshire. The college offers majors in business administration, liberal arts and sciences, and other professional studies.

Anthony J. Buoniconti St. Joseph's Grad

Anthony James Buoniconti, son of Anthony L. and Margaret Buoniconti of Agawam, was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree from the College of St. Joseph in Rutland, Vermont. Buoniconti majored in History.

The College of St. Joseph held its 33rd commencement exercises on May 10th, 1992. Ninety students received undergraduate and graduate degrees.



MELISSA A. MORIN

Locals Grads Of Johnson & Wales

Johnson & Wales University honored 10 industry leaders and awarded 3,022 degrees at its graduation exercises on May 23rd in Providence, Rhode Island.

Once again, the University held two separate undergraduate commencement exercises, both on May 23rd, at the Providence Civic Center. The double ceremonies were needed to accommodate all the graduates, their families and guests.

Louis E. Tice, chairman and founder of The Pacific Institute in Seattle, Washington, delivered the commencement address in the morning to 2,301 graduates at the ceremonies for the College of Business, Hospitality College and the School of Technology; and Chef John Folse, owner and executive chef of Lafitte's Landing Restaurant in Donaldville, Louisiana, delivered the commencement address to 721 graduates at the College of Culinary Arts in the afternoon. Both men received honorary doctorates.

Melissa A. Morin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Morin, 83 Memorial Drive, Feeding Hills received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Hospitality Sales & Meeting Management at the commencement ceremonies.

Founded in 1914, Johnson & Wales University is a private, coeducational institution offering undergraduate and graduate degrees in business, food service, hospitality, and technology.

Elizabeth E. Regish Grad Of Mt. Holyoke

Elizabeth E. Regish graduated magna cum laude from Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, on Sunday, May 24th with a major in English literature and a history minor.

Beth was elected Phi Beta Kappa on the basis of eight semesters work at Mount Holyoke College and the University of Kent, Canterbury, England.

She will be returning to England this summer to study at Oxford, having been awarded a 1/2 scholarship to study Henry James, Joseph Conrad and Shakespeare.

She will continue her education at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. in September.

Beth was a 1989 Linda Melconian Scholarship winner and is a 1988 graduate of Agawam High School.

We are still accepting graduation info on your college or university student to be printed over the next few weeks.



KAREN E. JACKOBEEK

Karen E. Jackobek Grad Of Dean Jr.

Karen E. Jackobek of Agawam graduated from Dean Junior College in Franklin, Massachusetts, on May 17th with an associate's degree in Office Administration—under legal studies.

While at Dean, she was the student coordinator of the Emerging Leaders program, Senior Task Force, Society for Advancement of Management, the Student Telefund, and was a recipient of the Rosco Woodward Scholarship.

She is a 1990 Agawam High School graduate. Her proud parents are Carl and Ann Jackobek of 61 Meadowbrook Road, Agawam.

Robert Regish WNEC Honors Graduate

Robert S. Regish graduated magna cum laude from Western New England College, Springfield, on Saturday, May 16th.

Rob's major field of study was English Communications with a business minor.

He has maintained Dean's List standing for eight consecutive semesters, and has been named to the National Dean's List. He also was elected Varsity Baseball co-captain for the 1991 season.

Rob has been offered a position with the John Hancock Life Insurance Company, Longmeadow.

He was a 1989 Linda Melconian Scholarship winner, and is a 1988 graduate of Agawam High School.

Andrea Balboni To Enter Mt. Holyoke

Andrea Balboni, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Balboni of 32 Sherwood Avenue, West Springfield, will enter Mount Holyoke College in September.

A June 7th graduate of West Springfield High School, she was a member of the National Honor Society and the National Latin Honor Society. She was also a member of Quill and Scroll, the international honorary society for high school journalists. Her extra-curricular activities focused on art and ballet lessons.

At a June 1st awards ceremony at the John F. Kennedy Library, Boston, she received the Robert C. Byrd Scholarship, which recognizes top pupils in each congressional district for excellence and achievement.

She will celebrate the occasion of her high school graduation and enrollment at Mount Holyoke College with a summer holiday in Italy and Switzerland.

Andrea is the granddaughter of Mrs. Carlo Balboni of Agawam, and the late Mr. Balboni.



Graduation 1992 - continued...



AMANDA J. TALBOT

Amanda Talbot Grad Of Webber College

Amanda J. Talbot, a 1988 graduate of Agawam High School, has just graduated from Webber College in Babson Park, Florida, with a bachelor's degree in business administration.

At the college, she was the secretary of the Marketing Club, involved in Student Government, and participated in intramural volleyball. Academically, her grade point average was 3.42.

Amanda is presently employed by Prime-Line Marketing in Agawam. Her future goals include moving back to Florida in two years and getting her master's in advertising.

HCC Presents Awards To Town Residents

More than 200 Holyoke Community College students received almost \$30,000 in scholarships and awards during the college's 1992 Annual Scholarship and Awards Presentation held Friday, May 15th.

Among those students receiving awards were, from Agawam:

James F. Bickford, Publication Award; **Daniel M. Fielder**, Publication Award; **Jane L. Kasche**, M.A.R.D.O. (Mass. Association of Registered Dispensing Opticians) Scholastic Achievement Award; **Anthony L. Maloni**, Soccer; **Tammy M. Moran**, Music Honors Recitalist—Jazz Voice; **Michael J. Pellegrino**, Basketball; **Virginia A. Stone**, James River Graphics, Inc., Secretarial Award.

From Feeding Hills: **Matthew T. Canata**, Soccer; **Dionne M. Cogswell**, Eric B. Nowill Scholarship; **David C. Fazio**, Hospitality Management Award; **Christopher Fitzpatrick**, Baseball; **Cheryl Ann Lomastro**, Green Key Honor Society; and **Eric J. Sheckler**, Soccer.

Presiding over the event were college president Dr. David M. Bartley and Dean of Academic Affairs, Dr. Winston Lavalley, who served as Master of Ceremonies.

Among the many areas in which awards were presented were: college citizenship, athletics and academic excellence presented by the college's five divisions; Business, Health Sciences, Arts and Humanities, Science, Engineering and Math, and Social Sciences.

To The Class Of '92 - Best Wishes ... AAN!

Agawam Residents UMass Graduates

More than 4,500 students were bachelor's degree candidates at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst this year.

Commencement ceremonies are held once a year in May for degrees awarded in September, February, and May.

The following local students were bachelor's degree candidates this spring:

From Agawam:

Robert J. Altobelli, 43 Mill Street, bachelor of science; Allan A. Campbell, 24 Beekman Drive, BS computer sys. engin.; Brian P. Coffey, 47 So. Florida Drive, bachelor of science; Noreen R. Cook, 156 Suffield Street (No. 4), bachelor of science; Jon C. Daniels, 4 Sunrise Terrace, bachelor of science; James C. Longhi, 142 Meadow Street, bachelor of arts; Karen M. Placzek, 89 Lealand Avenue, bachelor of arts; Kathleen Marie Schindler, 26 Cosgrove Avenue, bachelor of arts; and Christine Skiba, 48 Reed Street, BA individual concn.

From Feeding Hills:

Claudine Renee Bouchard, 650 Southwick Street, bachelor of arts; Kimberly J. Bressem, 231 N. Westfield Street, bachelor of arts; Kristin E. Knight, 83 Ridgeview Drive, bachelor of arts; Christina Marie O'Keefe, 108 Kensington Street, bachelor of fine arts; Christine M. Phaneuf, 9 Stony Hill Road, bachelor of arts; and Mark D. Windoloski, 195 Barry Street, bachelor of science.

Jocelyn Cuffee Gets Award From WNEC

Jocelyn Cuffee of Springfield, the daughter of Lorraine Cuffee of Agawam, and Kenneth Cuffee of Jackson Heights, New York, received the American Jurisprudence Award in Business Organizations at the Honors Convocation ceremony on April 24th at Western New England College.

Cuffee is a second-year law school student at the Western New England College School of Law.

The American Jurisprudence Award in Business Organizations is awarded to the student or students who have achieved high academic standing in courses in business organizations.

The Western New England College School of Law is a private school that serves approximately 800 full-time and part-time law students. It is located on the 131-acre suburban campus of Western New England College in Springfield, Massachusetts.

Smith Fund Scholars Include Two Locals

The Executive Secretary of The Horace Smith Fund has announced that \$89,000 in Barr Fellowships will be distributed to Hampden County residents for the 1992-1993 school year.

Dr. William D. Tunis, Chairman of the Fellowship Committee, states that \$30,000 has been awarded to 10 new recipients, and an additional \$59,000 will be distributed to 20 previous winners who are still in graduate programs.

Among the recipients are the following local students:

Thomas J. DeNardo, who graduated from Agawam High School and Middlebury College. He is currently enrolled at Boston College, where he is working for his Master's Degree in Political Science.

John R. Welch, who has enrolled in the graduate school at The University of Massachusetts (where he will study computer science). He'll be graduating from M.I.T. this June, and formerly attended Agawam High School.

Darlene Renaud Grad Of Greenfield Comm.

On Sunday, June 7th Darlene Renaud, who resides in Greenfield with her husband and two children, graduated from Greenfield Community College with an Associate Degree in Liberal Arts.

Darlene is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Hutchinson of North Street, Agawam.

Family and friends gathered at her home in Greenfield after the ceremony to celebrate.

Two Locals On Bryant College List

Bryant College in Smithfield Rhode Island held its 129th commencement on May 16th.

Among the 1,009 graduates are the following local residents:

Teresa Markiewicz, B.S. in Business Administration, accounting concentration, of 58 Roberta Circle, Agawam.

Richard Pryce, cum laude with B.S. in Business Administration, management concentration, of 1710 Main Street, Agawam.

Bryant is recognized as one of the nation's top three—and the "best buy" among—business-specialty colleges.

It enrolls 5,000 undergraduate and graduate students at its suburban campus near Providence. Bryant's "business outreach" centers also provide 8,500 business leaders with specialized courses and other services.

The outreach centers: RI Small Business Development Center (RISBDC), Center for Management Development (CMD), RI Export Assistance Center (RIEAC), World Trade Center Rhode Island, the Institute for Family Enterprise.

Spfld. College Holds 106th Commencement

Four area residents were among the 1,105 Springfield College graduates who received their degrees during the college's recent 106th Commencement.

From Agawam:

Sean Chalmer Cox, 9/C Mansion Woods, was awarded a CAS degree; **Amy L. Weber**, 74 Cooper Street, was awarded a bachelor's degree; and **Amy E. White**, 1111 River Road, was awarded a bachelor's degree.

From Feeding Hills:

Connie M. Lemaire, P.O. Box 335, was awarded a bachelor's degree, magna cum laude (the top 10 percent of her class).

Founded in 1885, Springfield College is a private institution of higher education with a total enrollment of 3,300 students. Situated on a 160-acre campus in Western Massachusetts, the college specializes in educating students for human-helping careers in such organizations as the YMCA and the United Way.

It also offers programs in the allied health professions ranging from physical therapy to cardiac rehabilitation.

Gina Lewis Receives Award From WNEC

Gina Lewis, the daughter of Francis and Rosemarie Lewis of Agawam, received the Outstanding Full-time Student in Marketing award at the Honors Convocation ceremony on April 24th at Western New England College.

Lewis is a senior majoring in marketing and minoring in the communication track of the English program at Western New England College.

The Outstanding Full-time Student in Marketing award is given to the student with the highest grade point average in the marketing program.

Western New England College is a private coeducational institution located on a 131-acre suburban campus in Springfield, Massachusetts. The College serves approximately 6,100 full-time and part-time students with undergraduate and graduate programs in its School of Arts and Sciences, School of Business, School of Engineering, and School of Law.

Richard H. Vezis WPI Graduate

Richard H. Vezis of Feeding Hills was among the 765 undergraduate and graduate students who were awarded degrees at Worcester Polytechnic Institute's (WPI) 124th commencement ceremony, held on May 23rd at the technological university.

One of 555 seniors who received bachelor of science degrees, Vezis majored in chemical engineering.

Meanwhile, master of science degrees went to 151 students, and Ph.D. degrees were presented to 12 individuals. WPI also awarded 25 master of business administration degrees, seven master of engineering degrees, seven master of mathematics degrees, and eight master of natural science degrees.



Graduation 1992 - continued...

Three Locals Among WNEC Graduates

Three local residents were among the 856 graduate and undergraduate students who were awarded degrees from Western New England College at the commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 16th, 1992, at the Springfield Civic Center. Dr. Beverly W. Miller, president of the college, presented the degrees to the graduates.

Michael A. Pedro of Feeding Hills, the son of Alexandre and Arminda Pedro of Feeding Hills, received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree with a major in computer information services. He was the photo editor for the College's yearbook, and a member of the Data Processing Management Association.

Dennis W. Punch of Agawam, the son of Dennis Punch of South Portland, Maine, and Minnie Punch of Agawam, received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree with a major in finance.

Steven R. Simmons of Agawam, the son of Robert and Faith Simmons of Agawam, received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree with a major in general business. He was a member of the varsity soccer team.

Western New England College is a private coeducational institution located on a 131-acre suburban campus. The College serves more than 6,100 full-time and part-time students with undergraduate and graduate programs in its School of Arts and Sciences, School of Business, School of Engineering, and School of Law.

Two Residents Get Fitchburg Degrees

Nearly 900 bachelor's and master's degrees were awarded recently at Fitchburg State College's 96th commencement exercises.

Thousands of parents, friends and relatives attended the 10:30 a.m. ceremony on the college quadrangle.

Area graduates receiving degrees at the commencement exercises were Tina Marie Book of Feeding Hills, B.S., Nursing; and Richard J. Mutti of Feeding Hills, B.S., Communications.

Former Fitchburg State College academic dean Helen Ross Russell, now a well-known writer and naturalist, was the speaker. She also received an honorary degree.

Another honorary degree went to Donald M. Murray, a writer who publishes novels, poetry, a newspaper column and textbooks on writing and teaching writing.

Judge Andre A. Gellinas, presiding justice of the Fitchburg District Court received the Fitchburg State College Community Leadership Award.

The college's Distinguished Alumnus Award went to Signe Antila Sipila, the former supervisor of student teachers at the State College Junior High School on campus and one of the founders of the Finish Cultural Center.

Large Group Of Agawam Students Receive Diplomas From Our Lady of the Elms

The following students received the degree of master of arts in teaching at Elms College in Chicopee on May 24th:

From Agawam:

Elizabeth Carras, 30 Silver Street, specialized in English as a Second Language.

Kathleen Jamroz, 374 Springfield Street, specialized in elementary education.

Yvette Yrizar-Reardon, 60 Walnut Street, specialized in English as a Second Language.

From Feeding Hills:

Lisa Herd, 74 Broz Terrace, specialized in reading.

The following residents were also recent graduates of Elms College.

From Agawam:

Christie Gaudreau, daughter of Richard and Catherine Gaudreau, 38 Debra Lane, majored in early childhood and elementary education.

Judith LeClerc, mother of Kevin, Laury and John and grandmother of six, was graduated cum laude as a social work major. She has been on the Dean's List.

Diane Lyons-Frasco, 795 Main Street, is a psychology major.

From Feeding Hills:

Nada Acquaro, 50 Liswell Drive, was graduated cum laude as a nursing major.

Carolyn M. Beggs, 252 James Street, was graduated cum laude as a nursing major.

John R. DeVecchi, 21 Briarcliff Drive, is a business major.

Lori Ann Easton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Easton, 27 White Birch Terrace, was graduated cum laude with a major in elementary and early childhood education. She has been named to Kappa Gamma Pi, national honor society.

Lynn Gilbert, 11 Hamar Drive, majored in business and marketing.

Nora Lloyd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lloyd, 127 Robin Ridge Drive, was graduated cum laude as an early childhood education major.

Jennifer Zern, daughter of Ted and Rozanne Zern, 113 Park Edge Drive, was graduated magna cum laude as a social worker. She has been named to Delta Epsilon Sigma, national honor society.

Holyoke Community College Hands Degrees To Many Ag. Students At Commencement

Holyoke Community College held its 45th Commencement ceremony Saturday, June 6th at 10:30 a.m. on the campus lawn.

Addressing the college's 655 graduates was Congressman John W. Oliver.

Among those students who received their associates degrees or certificates were:

From Agawam: Deborah Rapacki, Linda Renaud, Amy Ringuette, Barbara Foley, Steven Gamelli, Kimberly Galarneau, Christine Scherpa, David Nelson, Paula Fieldstad, Leah Pighetti.

Paula Burke, Shannon Gardella, Amy Hedeon, Kelly Pellegrino, Robyn Schermerhorn, Ellen

Phillip, Sharon Richards, Cynthia Bushey.

Also, Mary Wallace, Carol Pignatere, Lawrence Rinaldi, Kristine Grimaldi, Andrew Gilbert and Jane Kasche.

From Feeding Hills: Kimberly Mutti, Michael Augusti, Brigitte Labbe, Betsy Westfort, Marsha Ryan, Daniel Champigny, Walter Komorowski, Kristen Asselin, Dionne Cogswell, Leigh Fijal.

Also, David Fazic, Darren Fisher, Barbara-Ann Hatzipetro, Joan Nunziato, Anthony Mercadante, Patricia O'Connor, Karen Demichele, Samantha Impoco, Robert Edgley and Jennifer O'Keefe.

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Sports

Tri-County Baseball...

Altobelli, Wooley Lead Auto School Past O'Malley's, 3-1

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Agawam Auto School continued its quest for the top of the standings in the Tri-County League by downing O'Malley's, 3-1 at Harmon Smith Field on Friday night in Agawam.

Wayne Parker stood tall on the mound for Agawam in the early going. He allowed only two harmless singles over four innings of work and he set it up for his teammates to snag the tightly played contest late in the proceedings.

Parker did not get the win because you must pitch five innings to qualify for it, but Jeff Spanswick was just as effective giving up just one unearned run and one hit in three innings of relief.

Auto School threatened in each of the first two innings, but squandered opportunities with runners in scoring position on each occasion.

Parker surrendered his first hit in the second inning with two outs as Sean Fitzgerald hammered a gapper to left-center. Ray Burgess moved quickly to the gap to cut it off. He spun and threw a dart to second base to easily erase Fitzgerald sliding in.

In the fourth, Brian Steigmeyer singled for O'Malley's leading off the inning. He was quickly replaced by Kurt Gorman on the bases and moved to third on a groundout to Bob Altobelli at first.

Gorman and his mates thought they might have a life when catcher Frank Mochak dropped a foul pop near the screen, but Parker finished his afternoon's work by inducing Todd Zeo to smack a three-hopper to Altobelli.

Altobelli Gives Agawam First Run

Alto led the bottom of the fourth against tough lefthander Mike Vedovelli. With his entourage insisting that he doesn't fare well against lefties, Alto fell behind on the count 0-2. Vedovelli left the "waste pitch" on the inner third of the plate about waist high and Altobelli crushed it high and deep over the rightfield fence, giving Agawam the first run of the ballgame.

John Henneberry followed that by plastering a 400-plus foot triple to leftfield. There is no fence in left and Henneberry stood at third with nobody out. Mochak bounced to second (with the infield in) and Brian Doyle's grounder to short (with the contact play on) made Henneberry a dead duck at home. Doyle swiped second, but Shawn Smith bounced to short to end the rally.

It hurt momentarily when O'Malley's came right back to tie the ballgame 1-1 in the fifth. Tim Sheehan bobbled a grounder by Matt Kleszynski leading off and he came around to score on a groundball, a flyball, and a two out single by Ed Azzaro.

Sheehan atoned by immediately starting the winning rally for Auto School in the home half of the fifth. He tucked a leadoff triple along the rightfield line and came home to score seconds later when Jason Wooley pumped an RBI single to the same part of the field.

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Free Youth Golf Program At Oak Ridge Golf Club In July

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Fifth Annual Oak Ridge Country Club Junior Golf Program will soon get underway at the popular Feeding Hills golf course. Under the tutelage of the Oak Ridge golf staff, youngsters aged seven to 14 will have an opportunity to be introduced to the fastest growing sport in the country.

"It's a way for us to promote junior golf," says Assistant Professional Ed Lockhard. "We have a great time working with the kids and we can see their improvement from year to year."

Oak Ridge provides this six week program at no charge whatsoever. "It's giving something back to the community," says Head Professional Jim Modzelesky of Feeding Hills. "This area supports our golf club very well. The kids are the future of our game. It's also a way to offer professional guidance and get them off on the right foot. We teach the basics of the swing, the rules of the game, common courtesies on the course, and so forth. We try to give them a nice overview of the world of golf in this six hour course of instruction."

The program begins on Monday, July 6th, and runs each Monday thereafter until August 10th, when the customary "Tournament" concludes the festivities.

Youngsters seven to 11 can participate from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., and 12 to 14 year-olds are instructed from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on the days mentioned above.

During the course of the program, each golfer will receive instruction on swing basics, chipping and putting, the driving range, and a Woods Clinic. At the end of the program, a "fun competition" will occur as the attendees are able to practice their newly-learned skills in a "Mini-Tournament" involving chipping, putting, and hitting balls at targets. Prizes and ribbons will be awarded to the lucky winners.

The participants can use their own golf clubs, but if they do not have any, a club will be provided for their use while involved in the program.

It is not necessary to attend each session of the program to benefit from the course. (Oak Ridge understands that many families might be away on vacation for one or more of the weeks of the program.)

Each week, a new and different concept will be covered.

Monday, July 6th: Registration, General Information and a Movie.

Monday, July 13th: Chipping and Putting.

Monday, July 20th: Driving Range (Swing Basics).

Monday, July 27th: Driving Range (Full Swing).

Monday, August 3rd: Woods Clinic.

Monday, August 10th: Tournament, Prizes and Surprises, Farewell.

"The program has grown every year," Lockhard told *The AAN*. "We have seen several young kids progress to the very successful Agawam High Golf team." Lockhard added that each golfer will receive a golf rule book, and an *Introduction to Golf Handbook*, along with a "Certificate of Participation."

Modzelesky is proud of this program and the inroads that it has made on the youngsters in the area. "It works very well for us," he told *The AAN*. "It's great to see all the faces when they show up every year. They are eager to learn and we are eager to teach. We had more than 125 kids out here last season and I hope to see even more than that this year. We'll take good care of them and everybody will benefit from the experience."

Oak Ridge Golf Club is located in Feeding Hills adjacent to the Police Training Facility on South Westfield Street. Any further questions can be directed to Jim Modzelesky or Ed Lockhard at 786-9693.

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Ag. Men's Softball... Superior Dumps Scrubbers, 12-6

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Superior Paint outslugged the Valley Scrubbers on Tuesday night in Agawam by the score of 12-6 in A Division softball at Borgatti Field.

The Scrubbers dented the scoreboard first when Marvin Sims walked with two outs in the top of the first and came around on singles by Ralph Edwards and Malcolm Fisher.

Superior's Mike Carter made a fine backhand stab on the third baseline to get an inning-ending force out on a ball hit by Rich Barklow.

Superior went quietly in the first, but the Scrubbers were unable to pad their lead in the second. That proved costly when Carter followed a Kip Fuller walk with a towering homer to left, giving Superior their first lead.

The Scrubbers quickly recaptured the lead in the third when Wayman Lee lined a single off the shortstop's glove into left field leading off. Mike Jiles singled one out later, setting up a Sims RBI hit to left field to tie the score. Edwards followed that with a sacrifice fly to left field.

Superior kept pace in the back and forth game by putting another deuce on the board in the bottom of the inning. Steve Riley led with a two-bagger to right center.

One out later, Kevin Barnes tied the game with a double to left field, and he scored when Fuller came through with a clutch, two-out bullet to centerfield for the 4-3 advantage.

A Tie Game In The Fourth

The Scrubbers tied it in the fourth when they led the inning with singles by Barklow and Bruce Earl, putting tablesetters at the corners with nobody out.

Vinnie Savage popped to first and both runners had to hold, but Roy Cato mangled an RBI hit to center to tie it.

Superior came back again in the fourth with six big runs keyed by a three-run dinger by Caputo to dead center field. Earlier in the inning, Lew Calhoun, John Provost, and Barnes had all contributed RBI. That put the Painters up by a 10-4 score.

The Scrubbers got an unearned back in the fifth when Joe Dixon and Malcolm Fisher sandwiched singles around an error by the Superior second sacker.

Superior scored two more in their fifth inning to take a seven-run advantage. Those runs scored on RBI hits by Riley and Scott Aye.

The sixth inning was quiet around the bat rack before the Scrubbers scratched for a cosmetic run in the seventh on an RBI single by Edwards.

Sports Card Collectors Show At Italian Sporting Club

On June 28th, the Italian Sporting Club will hold a Sports Card Collectors Show from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 349 Cooper Street, Agawam.

The admission for adults is \$1. Children under 12 are free.

The Sporting Club has generously offered to donate all gate proceeds to the Michael Pietroniro Trust Fund. Please come and enjoy the Sports Card Show, and in turn help Michael.

There will also be raffles from local businesses going on throughout the day.

Many thanks to the Italian Sporting Club for caring.

Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch Softball... Bogey's Outlasts Billards & Brew, 10-8

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The only thing worse was that it might end in a tie. Ughh. A most frustrating ending to a fine ballgame. That was the first in our series of coverage involving the Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch Softball League for this campaign.

Bogey's used a little-known and seldom used rule to escape a mighty comeback by Boston Billiards & Brew (BB&B) to win a once-exciting game by the score of 10-8 at Borgatti Field in Agawam.

With the tying runs on base in the bottom half of the seventh inning, the "batting out of order" rule was enforced because a BB&B ballplayer had to leave the game for another commitment in the middle of the previous inning.

When his spot in the order came around, he "made" the third out and the ballgame was over and I didn't even see any fat ladies at the game. Nobody was singing, I'll tell you that.

Conclusion No Reflection Of Game

As previously mentioned, the downer of a conclusion did not reflect the rest of an outstanding game. It was an excellent start for our coverage this summer.

Brian Fowler singled home a teammate with two outs in the bottom of the first to give BB&B the early 1-0 lead before Bogey's came back with singletons in the second, third, and fourth innings to take a 3-1 lead.

Al Carmel tied the game at 1-1 with an RBI single to right in the second. Bob Schwinn got credit for a sacrifice fly in the third when his drive to right field was speared over the shoulder by a diving rightfielder Tom Sipatowski (who had reached on an error) alertly tagged from second and raced home for the go-ahead run.

In the fourth, Steve Stoll rocked an RBI double off the fence in leftfield giving his squad a 3-1

lead.

BB&B came right back to tie it in the home half of the fourth. Jim Gavron hit a two iron shot over the fence in left leading off the inning to pull his team within one run. Grant Young (two hits, three RBI from the number 10 hole in the lineup) would later rap an RBI hit off the shortstop's glove to tie the game at 3-3.

After a scoreless fifth, Bogey's pounded away for seven runs in the sixth that seemed to put the ballgame away. Five straight hits (Glenn Consolini, Pete Hayes, Mike Zaborowski, Steve Kelley, and Stoll) opened the way and they fit nicely around three BB&B errors as the visitors opened a commanding lead of 10-3.

The first two BB&B hitters went quietly in the sixth, but then the slumbering bats came to life as they got themselves back into the ballgame with a three run rally with two outs.

Ed Ranck got it going with a triple to right-centerfield. Doug Ranck walked and Young came through again as he whacked a two-run triple to right-center on a missed shoestring catch. Steve Trites followed that by beating out a chopper to short and the BB&B crew was within 10-6.

Home Team Retires Opponents 1-2-3

The home team threw the leather at Bogey's in the top of the seventh as they retired their opponents 1-2-3 on a fine catch in left-center as the fielder was streaking in; and finished the inning by watching their leftfielder leap near the fence to make a fine grab of a drive by Kelley.

A two-run single by Ed Ranck in the bottom of the seventh brought BB&B within 10-8. Doug Ranck followed with a single and Young lined to right center before the aforementioned rule was invoked.

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After a pitching change, Wooley swiped second only to leave the field with egg on his face a few minutes later. The little speedster got caught off second on a one hopper to the mound by Brian Griffin. Ray Burgess smoked a line drive hit to left that sent Griffin to third (and would have easily scored Wooley).

After Burgess stole second, Altobelli was purposely passed to set up Henneberry with the sacks full and just one out. He popped to second and Mochak grounded to first. The opportunities were piling up, but Auto School had just two runs to show for all its chances.

Spanwick Retires Final Seven

It turned out that it didn't matter, as Spanwick

threw a lot of smoke down the stretch and retired the final seven batters he faced. He struck out four of them.

Doyle got the insurance run for Agawam when he led off with one of the highest Baltimore Chop basehits ever seen in these parts. He moved to second on a walk to Sheehan and moved to third on Wooley's flyball to rightfield. Griffin came through with an infield single to plate Doyle.

Spanwick made the rest look easy as he whiffed the first two hitters and got a groundball to second to end it. Auto School moved to 5-3-1 with the win and stood just one point out of first in their division.

On Sunday afternoon, Auto School moved into first place with a 6-1 decision over Teddy Bear Pools at Arcanum Field.

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The Agawam Recreation Department announces that there's still time to register for "summer of 1992" programs. Registration for the following programs (which began on Monday, June 1st, 1992) is being held in the Recreation Office.

There will be no refunds of the program fee unless the program is cancelled. All programs are subject to change due to participation.

All programs will be cancelled on any day that we are experiencing severe weather. Notification will be placed on radio station WMAS (1450 AM or 94.7 FM). If you are still in doubt, call the Recreation Office at 786-0400, extension 456.

ADULT SWIM LESSONS:

Adult swim lessons will be held twice a week on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 6:50 p.m. at Perry Lane Park pool, beginning on Monday, June 6th, through Wednesday, August 5th, 1992.

The cost for the lessons will be \$25.00 for the 10 lessons.

RECREATIONAL VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE:

Women's Volleyball will be played on Monday nights beginning June 22nd, 1992, at 6:00 p.m. This program will continue during the summer and there is no charge.

Co-Ed Volleyball will be held every Tuesday night beginning June 23rd, 1992, at 6:00 p.m. There will be no charge.

Men's Volleyball will be played on Wednes-

day nights beginning June 24th, 1992, at 6:00 p.m. There will be no charge.

AGAWAM TENNIS CLUB:

The Agawam Tennis Club is open to all town residents who would like to take part in recreational tennis. This group will play tennis on Saturday and Sunday mornings from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon (weather permitting). Basic instruction will be given.

AGAWAM HORSE SHOE LEAGUE TO START:

Calling all adults (both male and female) who would like to take part in a horse shoe pitching league at Perry Lane Park for the coming summer season.

An organizational meeting will be held on Saturday morning, June 20th, 1992, at 10:00 a.m. at the Perry Lane horse shoe pits.

PERRY LANE PARK — POOL FEES (1992):

Perry Lane Park is open to all residents year round (no fee).

The fees and charges will only be for pool use and special rates for large picnic groups using the pavilion. All facilities such as the tennis courts, horse shoe pit, volleyball court, etc., are open to the public but can be reserved for clubs or groups who wish to reserve by calling the Recreation Office.

PERRY LANE PARK POOL:

The pool will be open on Father's Day weekend beginning Saturday, June 20th, 1992 (weather per-

mitting), and will be open daily for the summer through Sunday, August 30th, 1992.

Hours for pool members and the general public will be 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m. Exceptions may be made for special group events or exceptionally hot weather. No disposable diapers will be allowed in the pool.

SEASONAL POOL PASS

Senior Citizens	\$20.00 per person
Adults	\$25.00 per person
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INSURANCE:

The City of Agawam does not carry insurance to cover hospitalization or medical costs of anyone injured while participating in or watching any of the Parks and Recreation Department programs.

Please note ... you enter our programs at your own risk.

Agawam Little League Standings As Of 6/14

SENIORS

Schlaffer Athletics	3	2
Friendly's Red Sox	3	1
Malone's Indians	2	1
Commercial Mets	2	1
Almac Orioles	1	3
Greeneedle Yankees	0	3

MAJORS

Unique Storage Royals	4	0
Mushy's Yankees	3	1
Agawam Police Orioles	2	1
Village Rest. Giants	2	2
Rollaway Mets	2	2
Almac Braves	1	1
F.H. Getty Indians	1	2
Hastie Fence Athletics	1	2
Soda City Dodgers	1	2
Take Five Red Sox	0	4

MINORS

Monkiewicz Elec. Indians	9	1
Almac Braves	8	1
Mercolino's Giants	6	2
Teddy Bear Mets	5	4
Polish Club Royals	5	5
Valenti's Orioles	5	6
VFW Red Sox	4	3
Lions Club Dodgers	2	8
Bolduc Yankees	1	8
Bridgeport Nat'l Athletics	1	8

Agawam Men's Softball League (As Of June 14th)

"A" DIVISION

Superior Paints	11	2
Spalding Co.	9	4
Pierce Construction	9	5
Frank's Dairy Mart	3	9
Valley Scrubbers	0	12

"B" DIVISION - NATIONAL

Cortina's Tile	10	5
Agawam Spirit Shoppe	9	5
Buccaneer Lounge	8	6
Stabbin Cabin	8	7
Media Cable/Theodores	8	7
Bogey's	8	9
Scoreboard 1	8	10
E.B.'s	7	7
Toucan Jam	6	8
Boston Billiards	4	10

"B" AMERICAN - NORTH

Italian Sporting Club	11	3
Elbow Sharks	11	3
Gino's Package	10	4

Scrappy's Liquor Locker	6	5
Abbett Tax Service	6	7
Village Lounge	5	6
Wizard Auto Body	5	9
Agawam Moose Club	3	9
Balzars Tool Coating	0	11

"B" AMERICAN - SOUTH

Scoreboard 2	12	1
Pink Cadillac Productions	11	3
202 Liquors	11	3
F.H. Public Market	11	3
Buccaneer Lounge	7	5
Ballse - Honda	6	8
Teddy Bear Pools	6	7
Desi's Place	6	7
Harvey's Depot	6	9
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Golf Tip Of The Week

by Jim Modzelesky PGA
Oak Ridge Golf Club
Feeding Hills

Tempo. Rhythm. Timing.

No matter what you call it, it is one of the most important ingredients in the golf swing.

Once the fundamentals of your swing (grip, stance, swing path) are solid, rhythm is all that is left. Poor rhythm leads to fat shots, pulls, slices and hooks.

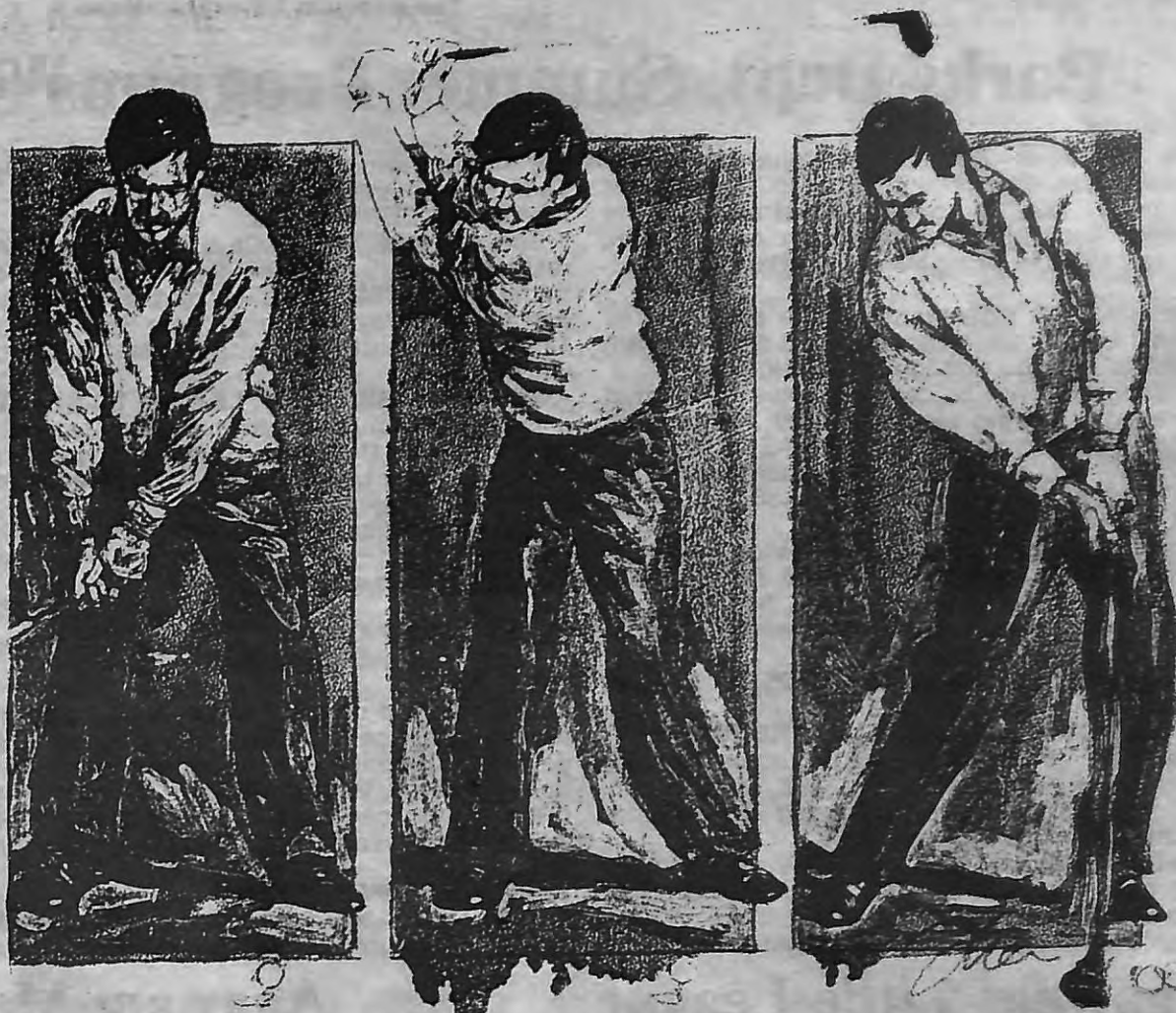
Rhythm begins in the legs, as in dancing. When dancing, your feet and legs move in time with the rhythm of the music. Without music you might dance too fast or too slow, but not when the music gives you that beat or rhythm.

If you've been playing golf a lot and suddenly begin pulling your shots or hitting them fat, your legs may have slowed from fatigue. Think, then, about the dancing theory and get a count or beat to reestablish a rhythm.

Count "one" to start the backswing and "two" when the club reaches the top of the swing. That is your cue to shift weight from right foot to left. Then at "three" you are making impact with the ball.

It is necessary to have an even count, 1-2-3, not 1-pause-2-3. A nice even rhythm. Start a count system either 1-2-3, or back-shift-hit, or any other words that would prompt you to shift weight from your rear foot to your front foot on time.

Most players today experience difficulty hitting from the top. Good leg drive, or rhythm, will cure this problem. Remember, 1-2-3 will give you better rhythm and improve your game.



Late Sign-Ups For Ag. Youth Football

Players who wish to play football this fall but have not yet signed up with the Agawam Youth Football Association, may do so at the Parks & Recreation office starting Monday, June 22nd. This opportunity will be available until Friday, July 10th.

The Parks & Recreation office is located in back of Agawam High School and is open during the week between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Registration forms will be available in the office during this period of sign-ups.

Registration forms must be signed by a parent or guardian and a registration fee of \$50 per player or \$70 per family will be collected at the time of registration.

Players entering the fifth or sixth grade this fall (1992), will be eligible to play in the Junior Division and players entering the seventh or eighth grades this fall will play in the Senior Division.

Formal practices will begin on or about August 1st with the first game scheduled on the weekend of September 15th.

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Proceeds from this event will benefit the Edward J. Carroll Sr. Scholarship Fund. Prizes to be won include \$400 in gift certificates for first place; \$300 in gift certificates for second place; \$200 in gift certificates for third place; and \$100 in gift

certificates for fourth place.

Prior to the competition, the golfers will have lunch behind Oak Ridge's Club House at 11:15 a.m. Following this day of golfing, the contestants will have dinner at the Riverside Park Picnic Grove.

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Olympic Hoop? Blah!by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

I think it was LARRY SORENSON doing the color on ESPN on Monday night, but he said that it was a "playoff atmosphere" at Fenway when JEFF REARDON was setting the All-Time Save record. Boy, was it ever?

It was fun to watch people climbing the screen again. I really enjoyed that. I also enjoyed Tuesday morning, when people from all over the area were talking Red Sox again—even if it's only for one day during this so-so summer so far...

Can you believe those scores from last weekend at TPC Southwind in Memphis? JAY HAAS won the PGA event with a score of 21 under par!

Twenty-one under! I have never EVER been in red numbers in my life...

Congrats to the Bulls. They really are a fine club. Not too many teams could come back to win that Game 6, especially when the Blazers put the clamps on them so well with the defense, and Portland also went 21-21 at the free throw line...

JIM NANCE was the first name that I ever heard when I started watching the NFL as a little boy. I was in the Elks Club in Burlington, Vermont, with my grandfather, and everybody in there was rooting for the Patriots.

Maybe I was just a difficult child, but I began cheering for the JACK KEMP-led Buffalo Bills. I certainly can't remember who won the game or anything, but I do know that Jim Nance was doing a great job for the then-Boston Patriots that day.

Jim died on Tuesday just before we went to press. He was number two all-time on the Patriots rushing list when he passed away...

EVANDER HOLYFIELD will have no trouble with LARRY HOLMES' jab on Friday night, and he'll strut out with a satchel filled with 17 million dollars...

JIMMY ROBERTS, I don't think you deserved the axe, either. I do think the Whalers can not afford to stand pat, either, and you were just in the wrong spot at the wrong time.

I tell you what I do like is the way that this new General Manager carries himself. WHYN Radio's SCOTT COEN did a terrific interview with him a couple of weeks ago on "Talking Sports"...

I'm still not pumped up about the Barcelona Olympic Games—Dream Team or No Dream Team. I think that the hoops will be just like the WWF because you know who is going to win.

I don't like watching mismatches in anything that I view. I think that they will score just like they do in the NBA All-Star Game...

BUBBY BRISTER signed a new one-year deal (plus an option year) with the Steelers the other day. That boy just came to that tough town at the wrong time.

He is a solid quarterback with some skills, but those nice folks will not soon forget the Steel Curtain and MR. BRADSHAW...

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Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch Softball...

Agawam Tire Wins With Jim Laurino

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Jim Laurino found out at about 5:15 that the AAN was going to cover his Agawam Tire & Auto softball game. He left immediately to warm up...

Agawam Tire & Auto banged out 15 hits en route to an exciting 10-8 win over Pumped Gym at Borgatti Field on Monday night. Agawam Tire & Auto (AT&A) rebounded from a 4-1 deficit to grab the lead for good with a big six-run rally in the fourth.

The TireMen scored their first run in the visiting half of the first when Bob Salamandra singled to left with two outs and scored when Greg Brown pounded a triple to the fence in left.

They almost got more when Andy Patruski followed with a walk, but Paul LaPointe's sinking liner to left was snared to end the frame.

Jim Laurino did nothing to help fuel the mini-rally...

Pumped Gym tied the contest with a run in the home half of the second, as Steve Longhi doubled under the fence in left center leading off and he came home when Sam Bugbee rolled out to second one out later.

Pumped Gym pumped up a bit in the third when they put a three spot on the board. It started when John DeGray reached on a shortstop error. Joe Pychek (three hits) rammed a single to left, putting two runners ahead.

Ron Renaudette gave his club the lead with an RBI hit to center, putting runners at the corners in the process. Jim DiMaina kept it going when he knocked home a run with a roller to short, but the ball went through ... setting up Longhi for a sacrifice fly for the run that put Pumped Gym up by a 4-1 count.

AT&A came right back to rip the lead away with their six-run burst. Brown began matters when he rapped a one-out hustle double to right field. Patruski followed with an RBI single to center.

LaPointe walked and Dave Burhans banged an infield hit to third to lead the sacks. The biggest play of the game followed when Bob Santoniello ripped a two-run single to right center which should have tied the game.

It did, in fact—and more ... the relay throw sailed past third and the TireMen were on top 5-4 with Santoniello standing on third base.

Chuck Sclafani kept it going with a booming triple to left center, and Chris Johnson capped the inning with a sacrifice fly to left. AT&A led it 7-4.

And Jim Laurino had still not chipped in... Pumped Gym came back with a run in the bot-

tom of the fifth to trim the margin to 7-5. DeGray singled to left leading off and advance to second on a flyball to right.

Scott Harnish singled to left, moving DeGray up 60 feet, and he scored seconds later when Renaudette lofted a run-scoring flyball to left center.

AT&A moved the lead back to three runs with a singleton in the sixth inning when Burhans singled home Patruski, who had led the inning with a single of his own.

Pumped Gym tightened matters up considerably with a pair of runs in their half of the sixth. Longhi singled to left and Dan Spindler reached on an error by the second baseman. Bugbee knocked in his second run of the contest with a single to center.

Steve Giguere got his team within one run when his sacrifice fly made the score 8-7. With a runner on second and one out, Bob Buteau laced a line drive to center field that should have been a double play because the runner left the bag before the grab.

Instead, the throw was dropped and the Pumped Gym club had another chance with a runner in scoring position. DeGray followed with a rope to right center that would have easily tied the game, but the AT&A right fielder went into the gap and made a backhand spear to end the inning.

AT&A finally put it away in the seventh when they scored two more times to go ahead 10-7. Johnson led the frame with a single to left center. Ron St. Onge followed with a rip city smash to center for a base hit, and Pumped Gym hurt themselves again with a throw past third ... allowing a run to score and putting St. Onge on third.

Jim Laurino (now where have I heard that name before?) came up next and banged an RBI hit to left center. It turned out to be a big run because Pumped Gym wasn't through yet.

Pychek led the seventh with a single to left, and Harnish followed with his second base hit of the ballgame. He made an ill-advised try for second on the play, and he got nabbed for the first out of the inning.

Renaudette knocked in his third run of the game on a play that went down in the books as SF-6. Yes, the kid tagged and scored on the surprised shortstop. DiMaina filed to center to end a very good ballgame.

And Jim Laurino had been the insurance man...

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A LA CARTE - from Page 57...

BRIAN JORDAN signed a three-year deal with the Cardinals of St. Louis the other day, and the contract said that he can no longer play defensive back for the Falcons of Atlanta.

I don't blame him. He went to Louisville to rehab after an injury and batted .370 with a double, three homers, and eight RBI in five games...

Would you make this trade? CAL RIPKEN, JEFF RUSSELL, MARK EICHORN, and KEVIN SEITZER were dealt by the Back Bay Bashers to the Sunshine Boys in exchange for MARK LANGSTON, CARNEY LANSFORD, DEVON WHITE, and PAT LISTACH.

I made that deal for the Bashers in my Fantasy League. I am getting about a 50-50 reception when I lay that one out for my friends...

From Our Maybe It's the Hyphen Department: MARTINA NAVRATILOVA got beat on Tuesday by LINDA HARVEY-WILD from Hawthorn Woods, Illinois.

It's the first time that she has been beaten by a player ranked higher than 50th in the world (Harvey-Wild was number 64) since 1981. Back then, CLAUDIA KOHDE-KILSCH turned the trick while seeded 58th (I believe)...

I wonder how long JAMES MCCARTHY was in that Milwaukee bar. Witnesses say that McCarthy came at CHARLES BARKLEY with clenched fists.

There are some forwards in the NBA who wouldn't dream of doing that...

Haven't heard much from TED TURNER lately (maybe because the Boss is back in the news), but Atlanta-based writer ROGER VAUGHN had this observation on how Turner runs his life:

"He gets a good hold on the paintbrush, then confidently has the ladder removed."...

Sacred Heart Seeking Girls' Players For Suburban Softball

Girls interested in playing softball in the Suburban League for SACRED HEART, should contact Phil Smith at 786-1178 (10-13 year-olds), or Jeff Pratt at 786-9561 (7th, 8th, and 9th graders), as soon as possible.

You must reside in Agawam. You cannot be 14 years-old before September 1st, 1992 for the 10-13 league. You must presently be in seventh, eighth, or ninth grade for the older league.

TRY-OUTS FOR BOTH LEAGUES ARE SUNDAY, JUNE 21st AT 4:00 p.m. AT SACRED HEART.

Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch Softball...

Superior Paint Crushes Franks, 12-3

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Superior Paint and Frank's hooked up in their first "A" Division matchup of the season and Superior used two big innings to outlast Frank's 12-3 at Borgatti Field.

Coach Scott Aye led the Superior hitting show by going 5-5, including a homer and a double. Mike Carter had three hits and two RBI; Tony Caputo had three hits, 2 RBI and a walk and Steve Riley chipped in with three singles and a sacrifice fly.

Superior was on the board quickly in the first as Caputo drilled a two run double plating Riley and Aye. Later in the frame, Carter and Greg Wynns rammed low, whistling RBI hits to the outfield for a 4-0 lead.

Frank's looked like they might have their hitting shoes on, too, when Daver Zering pounded a home run to left field with one out in the first, but that turned out to be just one of seven hits off Aye in the entire ballgame.

Both teams went quietly in the second, but Superior worked over the bat rack pretty good in the third as they sent 12 men to the plate and seven of them scored. Carter led it with a single and then capped the rally with another one to lead the rally.

RBI hits in the inning came off the bats of Greg Borowiec, John Provost (two-run triple), Kevin Barnes (two-run homer), Riley (sac fly) and Carter.

Frank's (formerly Dairy Mart) got a pair in the bottom of the fourth as Zering walked and Sean Pierce singled to set the table with one out. Todd Collins blooped an RBI hit to right for one run and Pierce came around to score when Carter threw a potential double play ball into right field, attempting to get the force at second.

Aye capped the scoring with a one out solo homer to center field in the fifth. Neither team changed the scoreboard numbers the rest of the way.

Suburban Mickey Mantle League...

Corner Deli Stays Undefeated In Baseball

Agawam Corner Deli had a fruitful week sweeping all four games to push their record to 5-0.

Agawam sent Hadley home with a 10-3 loss. Nathan Wooley didn't show much Agawam hospitality sitting down 13 Hadley batters with strikeouts. He had a great supporting cast with seven of his teammates providing hits to assist in his first Mickey Mantle victory.

Tavey Johnson was the offensive star of the night going 3-3 at the plate. Brian Pellegrino, Marc Sales, Brian Colby, Dan Barcomb, Jeff Campbell and Wooley each had a hit apiece.

Any Hadley rally was squelched by two outstanding defensive plays made by Marc Sales' leaping catch to save an early run and Dan McCarthy charging a slow grounder and making a bare handed throw to the first baseman.

The combined pitching of Dan Barcomb and Carmen Battista obtained Agawam's third consecutive win in its early season over Chicopee Tiger, 9-6.

Agawam fell behind to an early 4-0 deficit, but as Agawam's coaches stated, this team never gave up in this game. They rallied back to tie the game at 4-4, only to fall behind in the next inning, 6-4.

Carmen Battista was asked to enter this game with still more Chicopee runners ready to cross the plate on a base hit, but as coach Pellegrino

reported, showed a lot of character terminating any further Chicopee attack.

Picking up two hits for Agawam were Jeff Campbell and Nate Wooley. Adding one towards the victory were Brian Pellegrino, Dan Barcomb, Brian Colby, Brian Klinakis and Dan Moriarty, who sent a smoking triple to right field to put Agawam ahead for good.

Brian Colby attained his second win of the season, while Carmen Battista picked up his second save against Belchertown with an 11-7 victory.

Agawam tallied nine hits against a determined Belchertown team. They were fortunate that 11 runs had crossed the plate, since Belchertown started a four-run rally in the bottom of the seventh inning that Battista was called upon to cease for his second straight game.

Marc Sales, Mike Mercado and Brian Colby had two hits apiece for the winners while Nathan Wooley, Brian Pellegrino, Mark Anderson and Jeff Campbell (triple) had one hit for the victors.

Defensive catcher Brian Pellegrino took the sails out of a Belchertown comeback by gunning down an unexpected runner leading off second base.

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Rick Fuller Stars In Modified Division At Riverside Park

Rick Fuller was the star of the Modified division last Saturday night at Riverside Park Speedway—a double NASCAR Point Show presented by Bumper to Bumper Auto Parts. The Fiore-Diet Rite/Polar Soda Pontiac came from 17th on the bottom.

It was Marcel LeToile who started on the pole, as Bruce D'alessandro took the lead on lap two (leading until lap 23). On the second lap, Tom Bolles, Marty Radewick, and Jerry Marquis tangled while challenging for a top five.

The new battle was between Chris Kopeck, Bruce Dell, Bobby Gee, and Reggie Ruggiero. While all this action was occurring, Rick Fuller was coming to the front in a smooth and impressive style. Then Bobby Gee—with some help—tangled off turn two.

The NASCAR Chief Steward then issued a change in the line-up, as Ruggiero had to now come from the back. This put on a real show as Ruggiero, Jerry Marquis, Ed Kennedy, and Dan Avery all came from the pack.

At the checker before a crowd of 5,989, it was Rick Fuller/Polar Soda in for the victory, as Chris Kopeck did a great job to finish second. Third was Jerry Marquis (Statewide-Pike Package), fourth was Bruce D'alessandro (Simons-ECL), and fifth was Ed Kennedy (Roberts Auto Sales).

Sixth through 10th were Dan Avery (Porter/Chester), Reggie Ruggiero (Hammond Law), Rick Summers (Texaco), Tom Bolles (Cub Scouts 118), and Brian Schofield.

It was another first-time winner in the Pro Stocks, as Scott Bouley started in the front row and held off all the challenges to win his first. Still, it was not an easy win for the Powell Vacuum team.

Tony Papale came from the back to finish second over Dave Caruso, Tom Carey, and Dave Sazarulo.

Bouley was so excited that he jumped up and down on the roof of the car. It was a popular win for the hard-working Bouley team.

Sixth through 10th were Tom Fearn, Jerry Marquis, Kevin Czarnecki, Mike Duquette, and John Lobo.

Doug Meservey of Chatham, MA, nailed down his second win in the Pro 4 Modifieds. Tom Crevenho finished second after a wild dash to the checker, with Dan Meservey Sr. for third.

Fourth was Mike Pitrizzo, and fifth was Bill Shiltz. Sixth through 10th were Renee Dupree, Ken Hirt, Joe Doucette, Gary Palmer, and Mark Crossman.

Todd Anderson and Mike Bushior were the early leader in the 50-lap Late Models, as Jay Stuart came to the front from scratch to win his fifth.

Still, that was not the only battle as Barry Gray came from last to finish second. Third was John Johnson, followed by Garry Pellitier. Sixth through 10th was Roger Charette, Doug D'alessandro, Gary Fiorimonti, Chris Woods, and Scott Davis.

Mitch Drenowski won the Strictly Stock contest over Rob Vlerio. Third went to Jeff Horn, and fourth and fifth (respectively) were Ed Haluch and Jeff Connors.

Sixth through 10th were Sal Calvo, Herb Carlon, Jim Houghton, Joe Arena, and Rick Durkee.

This Saturday, June 20th, it's "Snap On Tools Night," plus the kids' "Big Wheel Races" at 6:00 p.m. All of this racing entertainment is family-priced at \$9.99.

Bob Johnson On Sports...

It Wasn't Even Close To The French Open, But The Tennis Was Still Pretty Good

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The humidity wasn't unhealthy, but the sun was still blazing hot on this late Friday afternoon. The two men walked onto the "Tim Mayotte Court" at Forest Park just like they had done so many times before.

The reddish clay baked beneath their feet as they unzipped their racquets and positioned their towels and water jugs for the tough match ahead.

The two men had faced each other hundreds of times before in the past. Their friendship and respect for one another had grown a hundredfold due to the competition.

Almost robot-like, they began to warm up. A one of the two word phrase, not much more than a grunt, indicated to the opponent the next phase of the preparation stage.

One of the men was tall and slim and athletic. The other was shorter, considerably older, and moved with a swagger that indicated his mental toughness and confidence level.

Casual observers might not marvel at their groundstrokes or the grace which they carried themselves, but these guys played tennis very well; much better than the average hackers waiting away on the opposite courts on the other side of the chain link fence.

Give You A Chuckle

To know them off-the-court may have made you chuckle in the early going. The younger man made quite a production out of preparing for his service game. The rocking rhythmic manner in which he set himself prior to uncoiling at the apex of the toss and murdering the ball upon impact seemed to speak eons for those of us who know him well.

The older man stood ready at the other side of the net. Seemingly unphased by the power of youth, he moved calmly to the ball and returned it to his compatriot and the rally was on. In each of the first three service games, the server could not hold his serve on this slow red clay.

As the first set wore on, there were the obligatory annoyances by both players as the games must be self-officiated. Close calls drew the ire (and surprise) of the other player, but the match went on without stoppage.

Both guys tucked beautiful backhand returns just inside the baseline and sidelines. Both made unstoppable passing shots which drew the compulsory "nice shot" from the opposite end of the

court.

In this first set the veteran jumped to a 4-1 lead in games only to see it shrink to 4-3 on some fine play by his opponent. The rally stopped short when the graying-haired gent held serve in the next game and then broke through to win the first set, 6-3. It lasted well over an hour.

An Interesting Service

Between sets, this reporter hopped onto the interesting surface and borrowed a racquet that cost more than my car to twirl MY net magic for a while.

My stay was brief but didn't go unexposed. Rotator cuff or no rotator cuff; athletic ability or no athletic ability; this was a game that took years of practice and tons of dedication. You do not learn it overnight.

I wasn't there for set number two. But I did receive an update. They played past the dinner hour. They went toe-to-toe. This early evening conclusion did not produce a winner as the second set was won by the younger man in a 7-6 tie-breaker and it took one hour and 15 minutes.

It was now after 6:30 p.m. and both agreed to call it a day. The older man had to run to see his son play baseball at Agawam High in the Tri-County Baseball League; the younger guy needed to rush home for his little son as his daughter and wife were rushing off for something to do with dance school.

The day's work challenges behind them, and all of their energy sapped, the two men, who had come together, as they had hundreds of times before, headed back to Agawam.

The younger man had mentioned he hated the slow red clay and had never beaten the older man on this surface. In fact, the younger man noted, that out of all those hundreds of matches, he had only defeated the older guy four times in 13 years of play (those coming in the past two years—twice indoors and twice on outdoor hard courts).

But the older man is well-known in this region as a tennis player and has been for many years. The two had vented their frustrations and released the day's tension as they pounded away on those fuzzy little balls.

And that's how the town treasurer and *The Advertiser News* editor/publisher meet at least once a week in this beautiful weather (although both say they usually play four other times against other opponents as well during the week).

TRI-COUNTY - from Page 58...

Nathan Wooley obtained his second victory of the season against a very tough OLSH team coming out on top, 5-2.

Agawam didn't take the lead until the sixth inning in this nail-biter. They added two more insurance runs in the top of the seventh.

Nathan Wooley not only held this team to two runs, but also drove in runs four and five to insure his win.

Dan McCarthy was a defensive standout playing a solid third base and making key outs when the team desperately needed them.

Also hitting for Agawam were Jeff Campbell, Dan McCarthy and Tavey Johnson.

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Sportsmen's Corner

— By Bill Chiba —



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Permit Needed To Import Bear

Massachusetts hunters who plan to hunt black bear in Canada need to be aware that, under new regulations, a special permit issued by Canadian authorities is required to bring the animal or any of its parts across the border.

We were advised of the change by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, whose spokesman indicated that Canada initiated the requirement in September 1991.

Anyone who attempts to import a bear, or any of its parts, without the Convention on International Trade of Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) Appendix III permit may be refused clearance into the U.S. There is also the possibility the bear will be seized and the hunter subject to civil or criminal court proceedings.

Bear seasons in Canada run from April through June, depending on the province.

Nat'l. Wild Turkey Federation Signs Agreement
The National Wild Turkey Federation, Inc. has approached private industrial forest companies and within the last two months has signed cooperative agreements with five of the major industries—International Paper, Westvaco, Willamette Industries, Packaging Corporation of



SOME GOOD NEWS ON GOBBLERS.

America, and Temple Inland. Other companies are expected to make similar commitments.

The partnerships are being formed to develop management strategies to benefit the wild turkey on over 11 million acres the companies manage. Working with the National Wild Turkey Federation, the companies are giving wildlife important consideration in their timber management programs, according to Dr. James Earl Kenamer, NWTF director of research and management.

Some of the areas addressed in the agreements include protection of streamside management zones, prescribed burning, mast production, wildlife openings, and road usage.

Other points include assistance in the protection of turkey populations from illegal or over harvest, allowing public access for hunters where huntable populations exist and state law permits, working with NWTF chapters on projects beneficial to the wild turkey and other wildlife, and minimizing nonessential motorized vehicle traffic along roads.

S.H.A.A. Girls' 13-16 Standings

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Agawam Women's Softball League (As Of June 14th)

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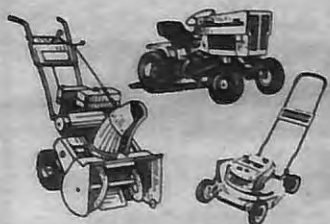
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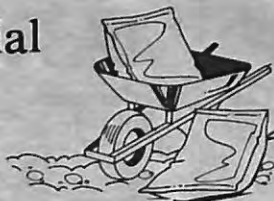
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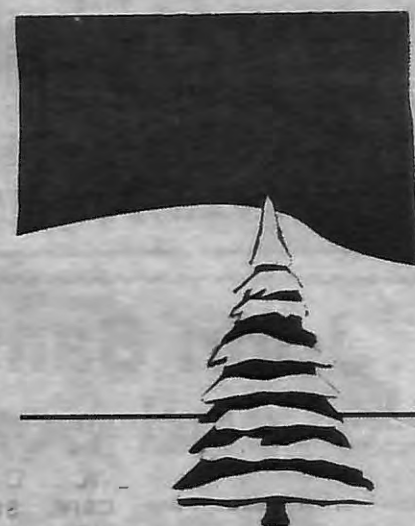
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